





FLOYD CENTRAL PULLS AWAY IN 2ND HALF  
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## \$750K BLF grant boosts launch of JCAP

Pilot program to address root causes of addiction

**BY THE COURIER STAFF**  
The City of Madison and Jefferson County have announced a collaborative effort to combat addiction through the launch of a Jail Chemical Addiction Pro-

gram (JCAP) Pilot Program, made possible by a \$750,000 grant from Bethany Legacy Foundation (BLF) and a co-investment by the city and county. The program is set to launch in the first quarter of 2025, with the first classes beginning in April. The JCAP Pilot Program is designed to provide incarcerated individuals with the tools, resources, and support neces-

sary to overcome addiction and rebuild their lives. By integrating recovery education, skill development, mental health support and community reintegration services, the program aims to reduce recidivism and create healthier outcomes for individuals and the broader community. “This program represents a significant step in addressing the root causes of addiction within our community,” said Jason

Craney, executive director of Jefferson County Court Services. “With the support of the Bethany Legacy Foundation, we are building a pathway to recovery that can help individuals turn their lives around.” Jefferson County Sheriff Ben Flint emphasized the program’s potential impact on the criminal justice system and the lives of those it serves, stating, “Addiction is one of the leading drivers

of crime in our community, and the JCAP Pilot Program offers a critical opportunity to break that cycle. By equipping individuals with the tools they need to overcome substance use and make meaningful changes in their lives, we are not only helping them but also improving public safety and strengthening our community.”

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Bob Demaree  
Hanover Town Marshal Shane Caldwell (from left), Sgt. Kyle Pence and resident Amanda Boley are shown at a presentation this week to award Pence Hanover Police Department’s Life Saving Award for resuscitating Boley during a cardiac event on Oct. 24.

## Hanover PD’s Pence honored for life-saving actions

**BY BOB DEMAREE**  
Hanover Police Sgt. Kyle Pence was presented a certificate of appreciation from the town council and Hanover Police Department’s Life Saving Award at Tuesday’s Hanover Town Council meeting for successfully saving a life while on duty. Town Council President Debbie Kroger told Pence the town council was “very proud” of him. “We have officers who dedicate their lives to this profession and what you did was great.” Pence’s life-saving effort took place on Thursday, Oct. 24, around 6:15 p.m. when Amanda Boley, a

mental health professional at the Madison Correctional Facility, went into cardiac arrest at her home in Hanover. When Pence arrived on the scene, she was blue and unresponsive. He administered chest compressions and utilized a portable defibrillator, continuing life-saving measures until medics arrived on scene and then provided assistance and remained there the entire time. Nicole Short, who works with Boley at the Madison Correctional Facility, said Boley has been able to make a quick recovery with no impairments or damages which is “nothing short of miraculous.

“Amanda is 49 years old and healthy. So far, what caused her heart to stop remains a mystery ... The immediate arrival and actions of Officer Pence is what gave Amanda a chance at life and a life without brain or organ damages ... He went above and beyond the call of duty to save Amanda’s life and providing his assistance to the medics during that time as well. He is a true blessing and defines what a true hero is all about. He is humble, compassionate, empathetic and dedicated. I wish there were more people like him in this world.”

## Hanover weighing how to pass stormwater costs to residents

**BY BOB DEMAREE**  
Action to create a stormwater utility for the town of Hanover won’t happen until next year as Hanover Town Council considers how best to move forward in funding stormwater repairs.

With the initial proposal for residents to be assessed a common rate based on Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU), there was discussion at a recent work session for establishing a monthly rate of \$5 per parcel, considering that as perhaps a more cost effective way to establish the stormwater utility needed to provide eligibility for grant funding. Hanover Town Council President Debbie Kroger on Tuesday asked town attorney Devon Sharpe to investigate the matter further with Mary Atkins, vice president of Wessler Engineering, which recently conducted a stormwater study that found four areas in the town with stormwater issues needing projects costing more than \$1 million. At the Nov. 19 Hanover Town Council meeting, Atkins presented information about creating the stormwater utility, a necessity if the town is to qualify for grant funding for stormwater work. The Council will be scheduling work sessions in January prior to finalizing a plan on moving forward with the stormwater utility next year.

With contingency money remaining from the town’s recent sewer project with Hanover College, the exact amount of contingency is still in the process of being finalized. Action at the meeting included approval of a change order with Mac Construction, a decrease of \$65,136.01, and State Revolving Fund payment to the town as a reimbursement for \$47,950. Kroger noted those are factors in what the contingency will end up being, but those and other factors must be calculated before the town knows what funds are left. Superintendent of Streets and Utilities Scott Williams asked for the contingency money go towards purchasing a sewer line jetter instead of a dump truck, which had been indicated at the last meeting as a potential use for those funds. “Instead of buying a new dump truck I’d like to go ahead and proceed with getting a new jetter that cleans the sewer line because this money needs to go for a piece of equipment that’s 100% sewer use,” he said. Williams said he currently contacts the city of Madison for help in cutting roots from sewer lines. “Our machine just isn’t big enough to do that,” he said. “If we get a bigger machine, we can actually do our own root cutting,

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### CHARLIE’S BEAT

## Kelley is Madison’s Renaissance Man

In the classic European sense, the term Renaissance Man meant “someone who excelled in a variety of areas — well educated, charming, witty, able to dance, write poetry, sing, play music, wrestle, ride horses, and be able to fight as a swordsman.” In my interview with Dashawn Kelley, I didn’t ask about his prowess with the sword or horse, but it would not surprise me.



CHARLIE ROHLFING  
CHARLIE’S BEAT

Dashawn is a 2015 graduate of Madison Consolidated High School, the son of Elizabeth Kelley and Ron Wells, and he’s also a professional wrestler, filmmaker, actor, movie production assistant, writer, and director. Oh, and you’ll often find him by day working at Madison Buy-Sell-Trade on Main Street. “I like to keep my hands on a lot of things,” says Dashawn, “I like to be busy and

engaged in creative stuff.” Well, let’s take a more in-depth look at what some of that stuff is! “Where to start?” muses Dashawn. “Probably my love of movies and filmmaking. I love everything about movies. Watching them, of course, but also the entire process, from writing to directing to acting and producing. My favorite genre has to be the junky, fun, popcorn movies that aren’t trying to be pretentious, just entertaining. That’s exactly what I want to create.

“Next year my plan is to do a full-length 1980s style horror film, in the style of John Carpenter or Sam Rami — the kind with real practical effects instead of digital stuff. I’ve already done some short films of my own, plus a couple of fun trailers that I filmed right here in Madison. I’m actually looking into getting some grants to do more movie making here in town. “Most recently I worked with Joey Ernst on a trailer length film called ‘Killer Zombie Women from Mars,’ which I wrote and directed

with Joey doing the filming and editing. It was so much fun, we had these bikini-clad, green-skin zombie girls chasing people all over downtown Madison. That’s the real spirit of the kind of movies I like and want to make, just so over the top silly and fun. “Beyond my own filmmaking I try to get involved in any production I can, in whatever role I can. I’ve been an actor and extra in a bunch of projects. I’ve been a production assistant. Last

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# Fire destroys home in Madison Mobile Village

**BY THE COURIER STAFF**

A fire at Madison Mobile Village destroyed a mobile home at 409 West Horizon Drive, Lot 154, early Tuesday morning

The blaze was reported at 2:28 a.m. with Jefferson County Sheriff’s Department officers arriving first on the scene, where they reported fire in the back of the home, and no occupants inside the structure.

When Madison Township Fire Department arrived on scene, firefighters took action to protect the homes on each side of the fully engulfed mobile home, which was a total loss. Madison Township Fire Chief Robert Black noted an open door was a factor in not being able to contain the fire. “Always make sure to let the public know to shut the

doors to the house if a room is on fire to help keep it in check until the fire department arrives.”

Black said firefighters were on scene about 3-1/2 hours battling in frigid temperatures to put the fire out. “Nobody got hurt and there were no firefighter injuries,” Black noted.

The fire started on the south end of the trailer. “You can tell that by the way it progressed up the trailer,” he said, but the cause of the fire remains under investigation.

Assistance was provided by Rykers Ridge Fire Department, Norton King’s Daughters’ Health EMS, Jefferson County Sheriff’s Department and Madison Police Department. The Red Cross provided assistance to the residents who lost their home.

## GRANT

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“Our focus in 2024 has been to make deep investments to improve mental health in our county. Supporting programs like JCAP aligns squarely with that goal,” said Dora Anim, CEO and President of Bethany Legacy Foundation. “We look forward to seeing the lives transformed through this initiative.”

Mayor Bob Courtney added, “The JCAP Pilot Program is the result of a shared vision between the City of Madison and

Jefferson County to create meaningful, long-lasting solutions to addiction. It is more than a recovery initiative — it’s an investment in the future of our community. By addressing addiction at its core, we’re working to create a healthier, safer Jefferson County.”

The \$750,000 grant will be disbursed in \$250,000 increments over three years (2024-2026). Jefferson County Court Service, with the assistance of the Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council (JRAC), will oversee the program’s implementation, adhering to stringent finan-

cial accountability and reporting guidelines to ensure funds are maximized for their intended purpose.

As the JCAP Pilot Program prepares to launch, the city and county are committed to keeping the community informed about its progress. Updates, participant testimonials, and success stories will be shared throughout the program’s implementation.

For more information about the JCAP Program, contact Jason Craney, executive director of Jefferson County Court Services at [jason.craney@jeffersoncounty.in.gov](mailto:jason.craney@jeffersoncounty.in.gov).

## HANOVER

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and possibly get TV camera for the line to see what it is.”

He estimated a camera might cost \$15,000 and a jetter \$80,000. The Council approved the purchase dependent on clarification whether the contingency money will actually cover the cost.

Williams said there is still a need for another dump truck, particularly with winter approaching. “If you get a big snow

you’ve got to have more than two trucks if you want to keep the roads open,” he said.

In other action, the council:

- Was presented a check for \$408,965 by Chip Snyder, director of Community Relations for Hanover College, as part of the “Jefferson Together” funding from the Lilly Endowment Inc. through its College and Community Collaboration initiative. The funds are reimbursing the town for recent work on a water tower.
- Approved the 2025 agreement for fire pro-

tection services with the Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Department at a cost of \$31,000.

- With Kent Water Company recently increasing what it charges the town for water, Baker Tilly is currently doing a study to determine what the new rates should be for town residents. Kimberly Judge Bennett, the first deputy in the Clerk-Treasurer’s office, said Baker Tilly has been “given a lot of information to work with” so they are hopeful the rate study will be completed soon.

## KELLEY

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summer I got my first SAG job, that’s Screen Actors Guild, working on a film called ‘Queen of the Ring’ about the first female professional wrestler.

“Speaking of wrestling, that’s another of my passions. I went to Ohio Valley Wrestling School in Louisville to learn the business, and since then I’ve been wrestling pretty steadily around the region. My ring name

Devlin DeVile, and my persona is a sort of super pretentious, obnoxious actor. I love it for both the physical challenge and the chance to inhabit a different personality.

“When I’m not working on movies or wrestling, I really enjoy my time at Buy-Sell-Trade. The people who come in there are so passionate about their collecting and their hobbies, which is exactly how I feel about my filmmaking. Oh, and in my ‘free time’ I do freelance deliveries for Amazon. If you see me

walking up to your front door, give me a big smile and a hello, because you’re about to get a package!”

Hot Tip of the WeekA couple weeks ago we pondered if the 1st Street Saloon might be “Coziest Bar in Madison,” which is a tough call because with Thomas Family Winery and the Taproom and Shipleys ... there is a whole lot of cozy in Indiana’s Music City. But this week we are asking, could The Drake be the friendliest little

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## NEWS OF RECORD

### JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER

#### LODGINGS

##### December 2, 2024

Darin Sylvester Hall, 28, Deputy, Indiana, for Battery-Committed With a Deadly Weapon, a Level 5 felony. No bond.

##### December 3, 2024

Mark C. McAttee, 60, Hanover, on a warrant for failure to appear (leaving the scene of an accident). Bond \$1,000 cash.

Wayne Russell Sachleben, 54, Bedford, Kentucky, on a court-ordered sentencing for probation violation (stalking). No bond.

##### December 4, 2024

Sandy Gayle Everhart, 39, Deputy, Indiana, on a Jefferson County warrant for failure to appear (drug charges). Bond \$20,000 cash.

Kayla Mangold, 35, Boonville, Indiana, on a Jefferson County bench warrant (drug charges). Bond \$10,000 cash.

Yesica Iveth Martinez, 31, Madison, to serve 94 days jail, consecutive, on a court-ordered sentencing. No bond.

Dennis Shane Oneal, 42, Madison, for Battery Against a Public Safety Official and Communication-Intimidation, both Level 6 felonies; and Resisting Law Enforcement, a Class A misdemeanor. No bond.

### JEFFERSON COUNTY CIRCUIT & SUPERIOR COURT

#### SENTENCINGS

##### December 3, 2024

Saundra Jean Wynn, 50, Hanover, parole violation for Possession of Methamphetamine-Enhancing Circumstance (failure to report for testing). Sentenced to serve 43 days jail plus \$735 in fees and court costs and then be released to supervised probation.

John Curtis Disbro, 29, Lexington, Indiana, for Public Intoxication, a Class B misdemeanor, and Criminal Trespass, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 106 days jail on each count, fully executed and served, plus \$289 in fees and court costs.

Rebekah Jean Martinez, 43, Hanover, to amended charges of Maintaining a Common Nuisance and Contributing to Delinquency of a Minor, both Level 6 felonies. Sentenced to 365 days at Indiana Department of Correction on each count, consecutive, with credit for 6 days jail served and 724 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$489 in fees and court costs.

Anthony Todd Wiseman, 58, Madison, for Theft, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail with credit for 2 days jail served and 363 days suspended to unsupervised probation plus \$289 in fees and court costs and restitution in the amount of \$270.26 to Walmart.

Richard Eugene King III, 28, Madison, to an amended charge of Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 5 felony. Sentenced to 1,095

days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 2 days jail served and 1,093 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$989 in fees and court costs.

Jacob Paul Benton Goins, 19, Madison, for Operating a Vehicle Without a Valid License, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to 4 days jail, served, plus \$189.50 in court costs.

Ronald G. Marcum, 50, Madison, for Public Intoxication, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 10 days jail, served, plus \$189 in court costs.

##### December 4, 2024

Dalton Lee Duncil, 31, Madison, for sentence modification from a total of 8 years, 182 days, fully executed, at Indiana Department of Correction for Neglect of a Dependent-Serious Injury and Unlawful Possession of Syringe, to 6 years with credit for 1,648 days served and 1,452 days suspended.

Alvin Eugene Sutton Jr., 52, Hanover, for Possession of Controlled Substance and Theft, both Class A misdemeanors. Sentenced to 90 days jail on each count, concurrent, served, plus \$389 in fees and court costs and \$155.57 restitution to Walmart. Pleaded guilty to a second theft charge, a Class a misdemeanor, sentenced to 365 days jail, served; and to an amended charge of Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 545 days at Indiana Department of Correction, all suspended to supervised probation, plus \$989 in fees and court costs.

David Brown Jr., 57, Madison, for Invasion of Privacy-Violation of Protective Order, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail, served, plus \$289 in fees and court costs with No Contact Order to continue as a term of probation.

Loretta M. Bailey, 55, Commiskey, Indiana, for Theft, a Level 6 felony entered as Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail, all suspended to supervised probation, plus \$389 in fees and court costs.

Bruce Shane Jaynes, 53, Deputy, Indiana, for Possession of Methamphetamine, Operating a Vehicle as a Habitual Traffic Violator and Resisting Law Enforcement-Vehicle, all Level 6 felonies. Sentenced to 730 days on the drug charge and 180 days each on the HTV and resisting charges, concurrent, at Indiana Department of Correction, all suspended to supervised probation plus pay \$389.50 in fees and court costs.

Dara Lynn Adams, 43, Madison, for Unlawful Possession of a Legend Drug, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 545 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 2 days served and 543 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$589 in fees and court costs. Upon successful completion of probation, defendant may petition to modify felony to misdemeanor.

Lucas Scott Skirvin, 29, Madison, to an amended

charge of Operating While Intoxicated, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 540 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 2 days jail served, 480 days suspended to supervised probation and balance to be served plus \$689.50 in fees and court costs and driver’s license suspended for 180 days.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

#### JEFFERSON COUNTY December 3, 2024

Indiana Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church to Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana Inc., 14266 Mulberry Street, Deputy.

Steven Konkle and Mary A. Konkle (estate) to Vital Farms Inc., approximately 83 acres at 9499 East Poplar Ridge Road, Canaan.

Ronald L. Taylor and Traci Taylor to Mary Kay Butler, 409 Baltimore Street, Madison.

Herbert D. Steele Jr. and Lisa E Steele to Main Burn LLC, 117 West Main Street, Madison.

Elizabeth L. Humes-Scott to Phillip W. Hall and Yamya Ottaviani, 709 Elm Street, Madison.

Benjamin B. Reindollar to Benjamin B. Reindollar and Carrie Reindollar, 111 and 117 West Second Street, Madison.

Karen F. Clayton and William Jeffery Clayton (deceased) to Karen F. Clayton, approximately 20.6 acres at 10700+ North West Fork Road, Madison.

Bradley V. Ferguson and Sheilah A. Ferguson to Jeffery L. Jordan and Dusti C. Jordan, 9519 East Doe Run Road, Madison.

Kasie M. Lessley and Kasie M Bear (now known) to Abraham F. Bear, 6600 North 933 West, Deputy.

Tonia M. Cline, Jason G. Anderson, Loretta S. Anderson (estate) and Grover Anderson to GJTJJ Realty LLC, approximately 4.6 acres at 2678 East Geyman Road, Madison.

Tonia M. Cline, Jason G. Anderson, Loretta S. Anderson (estate) and Grover Anderson to GJTJJ Realty LLC, approximately 3.9 acres at 2851 East Geyman Road, Madison.

Tonia M. Cline, Jason G. Anderson, Loretta S. Anderson (estate) and Grover Anderson to GJTJJ Realty LLC, approximately 1.5 acres at 2849 East Geyman Road, Madison.

Tonia M. Cline, Jason G. Anderson, Loretta S. Anderson (estate) and Grover Anderson to GJTJJ Realty LLC, approximately 5 acres at 2754 East Geyman Road, Madison.

##### December 4, 2024

Lee Ann Eisert to Billy Kyle Cloud and Pamela Lee Cloud, 1707 Oak Hill Drive, Madison.

Lynette M. Anderson, Donald Ray Marshall Jr. and Angela E. Sloan to Marshall Farm LLC, 38.667 acres at 6016 South 850 West, Lexington.

Lynette M. Anderson, Donald Ray Marshall Jr. and Angela E. Sloan to Lynette M. Anderson and Angela E. Sloan, 18.385 acres at 6016 South 850 West, Lexington.

Lynette M. Anderson, Donald Ray Marshall Jr. and Angela E. Sloan to Marshall Farm LLC, 1.576 acres at 6016 South 850 West, Lexington.

LOVVM Inc. to RAYCHER, 3483 North Michigan Road, Madison.

William Joseph Jenner to Janet C. Jenner (trust) and William Joseph Jenner, 508 Elm Street, Madison.

Joseph Sage to Robert J. Newby, 525 Miles Ridge Road, Madison.

Sean Regan LLC to Reuben B. Graber and Barbara B. Graber, 80 acres at 11311 West Short Road, Deputy.

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**Editor’s Note:** Got a birthday or anniversary coming up? Send name, date and number of years (optional) to [zelda@madisoncourier.com](mailto:zelda@madisoncourier.com) or call 812-265-3641. Please leave your name and phone number in case we have followup questions.

#### DECEMBER 6

Darrell Henderson  
Dan McCauley

#### DECEMBER 7

Abby Waltz Suiter

#### DECEMBER 9

Denise Buxton

#### DECEMBER 10

Kathy Jacobs Brierly

#### DECEMBER 11

Keith Howard  
Kevin Watkins

#### DECEMBER 12

Laverne Gross  
Barb Scroggs

#### DECEMBER 13

Bill Poindexter

## WEATHER

**Sunrise:** 7:44 a.m.

**Sunset:** 5:21 p.m.

**Temperature:** High 25, Low 14, Mean 23.5, Deficit 15.6

**Precipitation since last published:** .0

**0Precipitation, December 2024:** 0

**Precipitation, 2024:** 40.14

**Barometer:** 30.00, Rising

**River Level at Clifty Creek:** 422.47, Falling

**Forecast:** Saturday: Sunny High 45/Low 34; Sunday: Mostly cloudy High 53/Low 46; Monday: Rain High 58/Low 40; Tuesday: Cloudy High 47/Low 28.

## LOTTERY

#### INDIANA

**Hoosier Lotto:** 3-5-24-28-29-45 (12/4). Next Estimated Jackpot: \$30.8 million. Next Drawing (12/7).  
**Cash Five:** 5-7-39-41-42 (12/4)  
**Cash 4 Life:** 10-11-29-40-59 CB: 3 (12/4)

#### KENTUCKY

**Cash Ball:** 2-3-7-9 CB 14 (12/4)  
**Lucky For Life:** 1-13-25-33-46 LB:

6 (12/4)

**MEGAMILLIONS:** 52-60-61-66-67 MB: 23, MP 4 (12/3). Next Jackpot: \$579 million. Next Drawing (12/6)  
**POWERBALL:** 1-23-25-28-61 PB: 13, PP 2 (12/4). Next Estimated Jackpot: \$260 million. Next Drawing (12/7)

#### POWERBALL DOUBLE PLAY:

14-35-43-48-54 PB: 1 (12/4). Next Estimated Jackpot: Up to \$10 million. Next Drawing (12/7)



**OBITUARIES**

**Lena ‘Ruth’ Neff Cook Barker**

Lena “Ruth” Neff Cook Barker, age 96, of Bloomington, IN, passed away on Nov. 27, 2024, in Bloomington, IN. Ruth entered this life on Feb. 9, 1928, in Perry County, KY, the loving daughter of Cash Spencer and Martha Jane Witt Spencer. She was a 1946 graduate of Paris Crossing High School and attended Columbus Business School, after which she worked for seven years at Arvin Industries in Columbus, IN. She married Charles E. “Buddy” Neff on Oct. 14, 1949, a happy union of nearly 48 years spent at their home in Deputy, IN. Ruth was a devoted homemaker and mother to four children, Jerry, Janet, Gary, and James. She was a member of the Deputy United Methodist Church, where she was the treasurer and a member of the women’s



group for many years. She was also a member of the Deputy Homemakers Association. Ruth enjoyed dancing, socializing with friends, serving in her church, and spending time with her family. After Buddy’s death in 1997, she married Kenneth E. Cook (deceased 2004) and then Kenneth Barker (deceased 2011). She had recently moved to Bloomington to be near her sons. Funeral services will be conducted on

Saturday, Dec. 7, 2024, at 1 p.m., by Pastor Luke Richards at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive Madison, IN. Interment will be private in the Pisgah Cemetery in Deputy, IN. Friends may visit Saturday, Dec. 7, 2024, from 11 a.m. until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN. Memorial contributions may be made to Children’s Hospital Foundation, Fenley Office Park B, 4965 U.S. Highway 42, Suite 1000, Louisville, KY, 40222. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**Violet Fontaine Gayle Fewell**

Violet Fontaine Gayle Fewell, age 92, of Lancaster, IN, entered this life on Oct. 16, 1932, in Westport, KY. She was the daughter of the late June and Fannie Dee Taylor Gayle. She and her family moved to Jefferson County, IN, when she was 12 years old and she was schooled there. She was united in marriage to Richard E. Fewell on Oct. 16, 1950, on her 18th birthday. She was a homemaker and was a Filter Queen sweeper salesperson for 25 years. She helped her husband with farming their farm since 1955, and became a member of Lancaster Baptist Church in 1952. She was a life member of the Jefferson County Conservation Club and was on the Board of Directors at Eleutherian College. She enjoyed dancing at the Senior Center in North Vernon, loved music, farming, and gardening. She was always the happiest when she was with her family. Violet died on Wednesday, Nov.



27, 2024, at 1:55 p.m. at the Norton King’s Daughters’ Hospital in Madison, IN. Violet will be missed by her sister in law, Dolores E. Jackson Gayle of Madison, IN; several nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, great great nieces, great great nephews, and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her father, June Gayle; her mother, Fannie “Muddie” D. Taylor Gayle; her beloved husband of 41 years, Richard E. “Dick” Fewell, died June 14, 1991; her brother, Warren Mitchell “Short” Gayle; her half sister, Pauline Gayle

Beard; her half brother, Goldie Taylor “Tripp” Barrickman; her brother, June L. “Jake” Gayle; her brother, Thomas “Tom” Gayle; her sister, Jennie Elizabeth “Liz” Gayle Hammers, and her brother, Raymond Dee Gayle. Funeral services will be conducted on Sunday, Dec. 8, 2024, at 2 p.m., by Rev. Skip Napier at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN. Interment will follow in the Dupont Cemetery in Dupont, IN. Friends may visit Sunday, Dec. 8, 2024, from 12 p.m., until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN. Memorial contributions may be made to the Lancaster Baptist Church. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**Tressie Christeen ‘Polly’ Lanham Vanosdol**

Tressie Christeen “Polly” Lanham Vanosdol, age 95, of Madison, IN, entered this life on Jan. 5, 1929, in Jefferson County, IN. She was the loving daughter of the late Charles William and Cathern Laura North Lanham. She was raised in Jefferson County and graduated in 1947, from Central High School on Rykers Ridge. On May 14, 1947, Christeen was united in marriage to Floyd Lee Welsh Vanosdol in Moorefield, IN. This happy union of 64 years was blessed with sons, Ronald and Thomas. She was employed for over 20 years with the State of Indiana in the employment office working as an unemployment clerk. Christeen loved being outdoors, mowing her lawn, going to the farm in Moorefield, and reading. Christeen passed away on Wednesday, Nov. 27, 2024, at her home in



Madison, IN, after a brief illness. Christeen will be missed by her loving sons, Ronald L. Vanosdol and his wife, Julie Clement of Camden, Maine, Thomas G. Vanosdol and his wife, Yvonne of Cicero, IN; her grandchildren, Katherine Lupien (Steve), Christina Hopper (George), Margaret Wyman (Steve), Carrie VanAlstine (Benjamin); her great grandchildren, Kyle Jose, Mason Hopper, Tressie Hopper Freeman (Jarrett), Jacob Lupien, Lyla VanAlstine, Levi VanAlstine; several

nieces, nephews, and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her father, Charles William Lanham; her mother, Cathern Laura North Lanham; her husband, Lee Welsh Vanosdol, died June, 27, 2011, her sisters, Hazel Josephine “Jo” Berkemeyer, Waneeta Catherine “Eat” Lanham, her brothers, Lewis Lafferty “Mose” Lanham, Ervin Roosevelt “Han” Lanham, Carl Fenton “Mink” Lanham, Warren James “Warnie” Lanham, and her daughter in law, Ann Vanosdol. A Memorial Gathering will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the Wreathes Across America for the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**Janice C. Cart**

Janice C. Cart, 80, passed away Monday, Dec. 2, 2024, in Lakeland, FL. She was born in Closplint, KY, on July 3, 1944, to Garland Short and Faye Howard Short and formerly lived in

Deputy and Madison, IN. She is preceded in death by husband Ronald Lee Cart and sister Phyllis Sheldon. She is survived by siblings Jean Kinyon, Roger Short, Arlene Austin, Terry Hoffman,

and Karen Vaughn. Graveside services were held Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2024, at Serenity Gardens in Lakeland, FL. Arrangements by Gentry-Morrison Funeral Home.

**Elizabeth M. Buchanan Young**

Elizabeth M. Buchanan Young, age 86, of Madison, IN, entered this life on Jan. 2, 1938, in Vevay, IN. She was the loving daughter of the late John and Nora Francis Coffin Buchanan. She was raised in Switzerland County and moved to Madison, IN, in the early 1950’s. She was united in marriage to Lee Roy “Doc” Young on April 6, 1955, in Madison. This happy union was blessed with three daughters and a son. She had worked at U.S. Shoe Corporation for 26 years as a line worker/cementer. She had attended North Madison Baptist Church and Madison Assembly of God Church. She enjoyed watching Tv and playing Bingo. Elizabeth died on Tuesday, Dec. 3, 2024, at 10:25 a.m. at the Norton Hospital in Louisville, KY. Elizabeth will be missed by her loving daughter, Donna Young Mendoza of Madison, IN; her loving son, Roger Young, Sr. and his wife Sandy of Madison, IN; her step-daughter, Carol Young of Madison, IN;



her grandchildren, Cody Mendoza, Cory Mendoza, Stephanie Young, Roger Young, Jr., Tabatha Torrance, Jerry Shelton, Jr., Tanner Young, and Paige Young; her great grandchildren, Alex Butters, Tyson Roberts, Jade Shelton, Stacie Shelton, Anna Shelton, and Brie Mendoza Clark; her brother, Bill Buchanan of Madison, IN; her sister, Gladys Evans of Vincennes, IN; her sister in law, Anna Carpenter of Madison, IN; several nieces, nephews, and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her father, John Buchanan, her mother, Nora Francis Coffin Buchanan, her husband of nearly 55 years,

Lee Roy “Doc” Young died Jan. 17, 2010, her daughters, Janice Young Selph, and Debbie Young Mendoza, her brothers, Charles Buchanan, Harry Buchanan, and John Buchanan, her sister, Mary Schafer, her son in law, Jose Eugenio Arias Castro Mendoza. Funeral services will be conducted on Friday, Dec. 6, 2024, at 1 p.m., by Bro. Bob Hicks at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive Madison, IN. Interment will follow in the Grandview Memorial Gardens, 9306 North US 421 near Madison, IN. Friends may visit Friday, Dec. 6, 2024, from 11 a.m. until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN. Memorial contributions may be made to the Elizabeth Young Remembrance Fund. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**DEATH NOTICES**

**Annis L. Brown Brandenburg, 75**, of Madison, IN, died Tuesday, Dec. 3, 2024, at Norton Audubon Hospital in Louisville. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover, IN, [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).  
**Jeremy Alan Fieger, 41**, of Sidney, Montana, and formerly of Switzerland County, IN, died Monday, Nov. 25, 2024, at his residence. A celebration

of life will be held at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 14, at the Ogle Haus Inn in Vevay, IN. Private burial will be in the Oak Hill Cemetery in Glendale, Ohio. Arrangements by Haskell and Morrison Funeral Home in Vevay, [www.haskellandmorrison.com](http://www.haskellandmorrison.com).  
**Constance Jean “Connie” Giles, 86**, of Carrollton, KY, died Tuesday, Nov. 26, 2024, in Frankfort, KY. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, at

Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home in Carrollton, KY, [www.tandyeckler-rileyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tandyeckler-rileyfuneralhome.com).  
**Laura Jean Humes, 61**, of Charlestown, IN, and formerly of Madison, IN, died Thursday, Nov. 28, 2024, in Charlestown. Cremation was chosen with funeral arrangements to be announced by the family.  
**Paul David Simmons, 53**, of Ghent, KY, died Sunday, Nov. 17, 2024, from advanced cirrhosis of the liver. Cremation was chosen

with no services at this time. However, a celebration of life will be held at 912 Seminary Street in Carrollton, KY, and a page as been established called “Help Cremate Emily’s Beloved Dad” at [gofundme.com](http://gofundme.com).  
**Alma Jean Taylor, 66**, of La Grange, KY, died Thursday, Nov. 28, 2024, at Richwood Nursing and Rehab Center in La Grange. Funeral service was Wednesday, Dec. 4, at Ransdell Funeral Home in Campbellsburg, KY,

with interment in the Smithfield Cemetery in Smithfield, KY, [www.randellsfuneral.com](http://www.randellsfuneral.com).  
**Diane Young, 71**, of Bedford, KY, died Monday, Dec. 2, 2024, at her residence. Funeral service will be at noon on Friday, Dec. 6, at Bedford Baptist Church, with interment to follow in Pleasantview Cemetery in Milton, KY. Arrangements by Randall’s Funeral Home in Bedford, [www.ransdellfuneral.com](http://www.ransdellfuneral.com).

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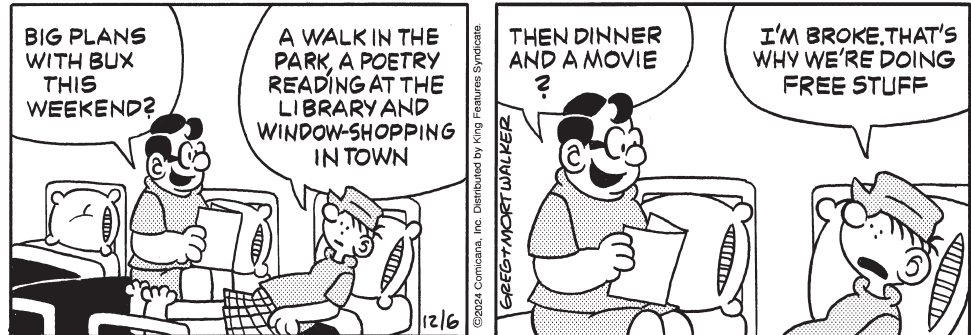
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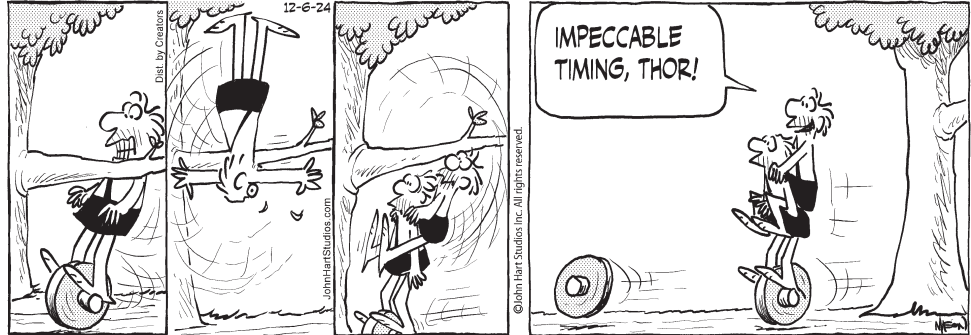
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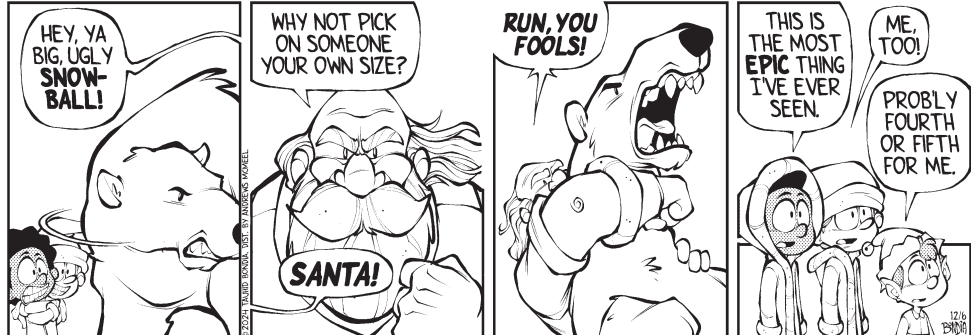
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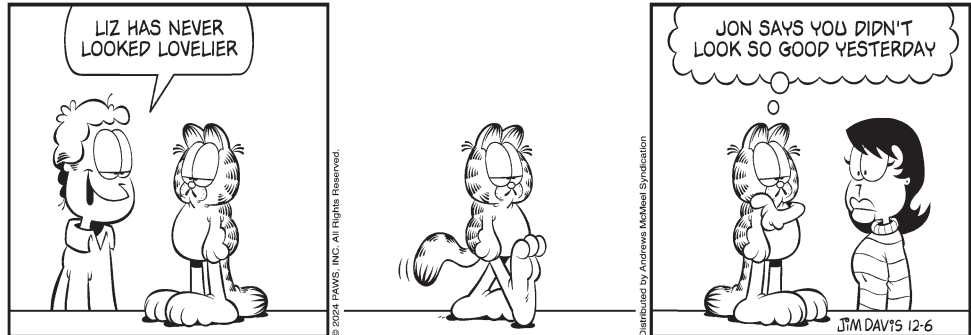
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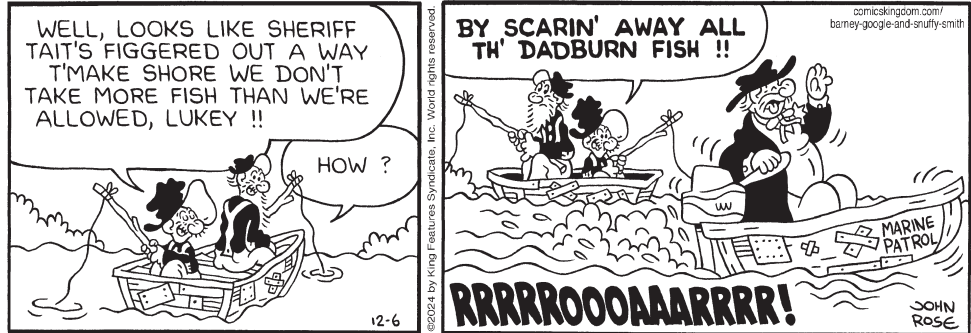
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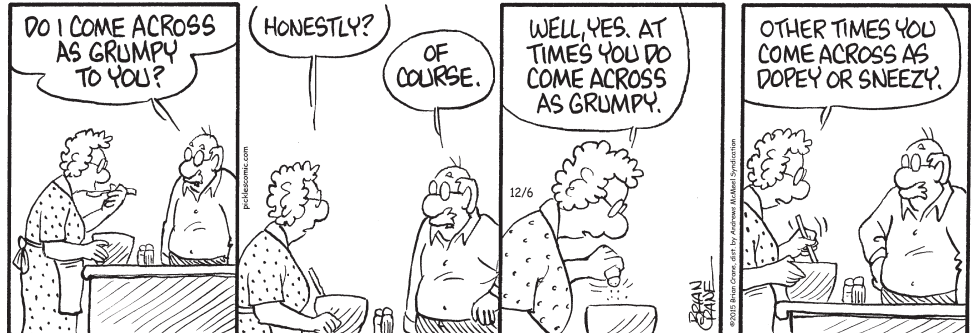
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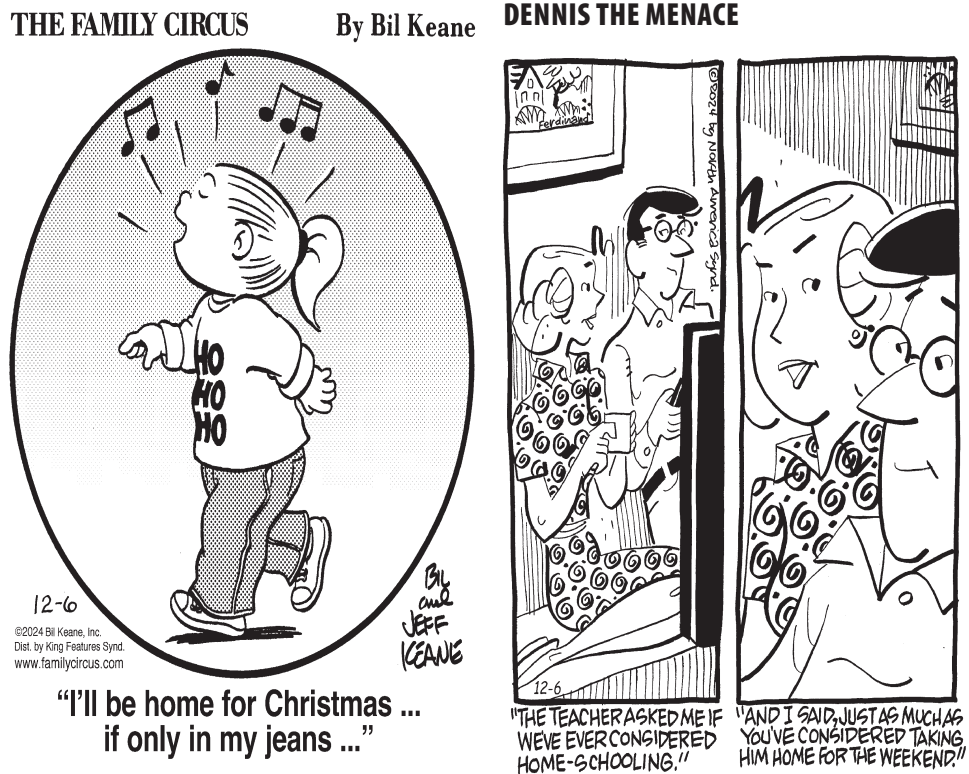
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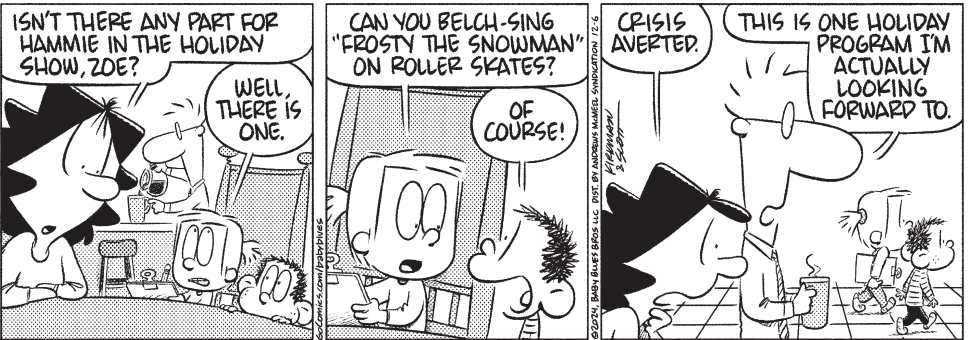
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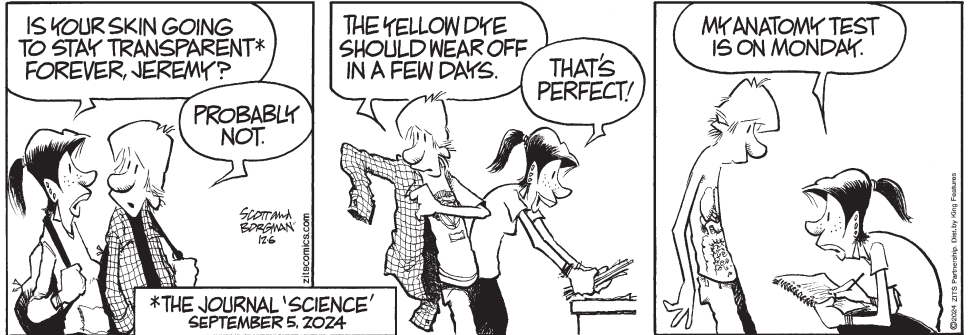
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, Dec. 6, the 341st day of 2024. There are 25 days left in the year.

**Today in history:**

On Dec. 6, 1865, the 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, abolishing slavery, was ratified as Georgia became the 27th state to endorse it.

**Also on this date:**

**In 1907**, the worst mining disaster in U.S. history occurred as at least 361 men and boys died in a coal mine explosion in Monongah, West Virginia.

**In 1917**, more than 1,700 people were killed when an explosives-laden French cargo ship, the Mont Blanc, collided with the Norwegian vessel Imo at the harbor in Halifax, Nova Scotia, setting off a blast that devastated the Canadian city.

**In 1923**, a presidential address was broadcast on radio for the first time as Calvin Coolidge spoke to a joint session of Congress.

**In 1957**, America's first attempt at putting a satellite into orbit failed as Vanguard TV3 rose about 4 feet off a Cape Canaveral launch pad before crashing down and exploding.

**In 1969**, a free concert by The Rolling Stones at the Altamont Speedway in Alameda County, California, was marred by the deaths of four people, including one who was stabbed by a member of the Hells Angels Motorcycle Club that was hired to provide concert security.

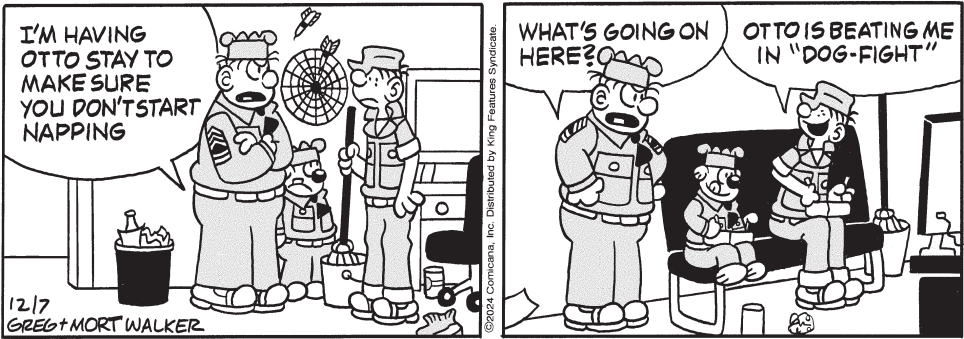
**In 1973**, House Minority Leader Gerald R. Ford was sworn in as vice president, succeeding Spiro T. Agnew.

**In 1998**, in Venezuela, former Lt. Col. Hugo Chavez, who had staged a bloody coup attempt against the government six years earlier, was elected president.

**Today's Birthdays:** Actor JoBeth Williams is 76. Craigslist founder Craig Newmark is 72. Actor Tom Hulce is 71. Comedian Steven Wright is 69. Rock musician Peter Buck (R.E.M.) is 68. Animator Nick Park is 66. Actor Janine Turner is 62. Writer-director Judd Apatow is 57. Actor Sarah Rafferty is 52. NBA star Giannis Antetokounmpo is 30.



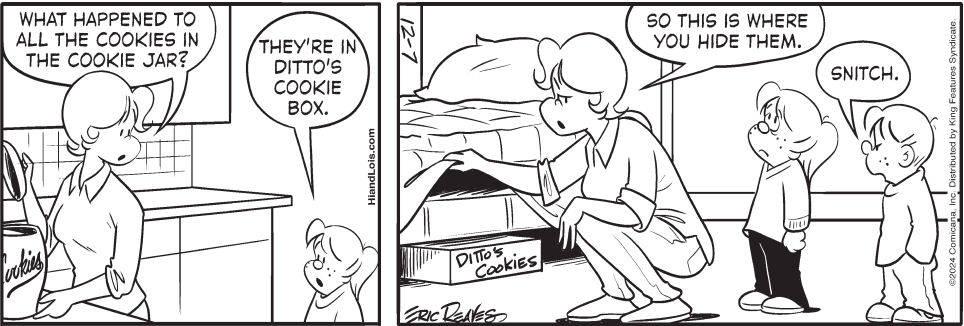
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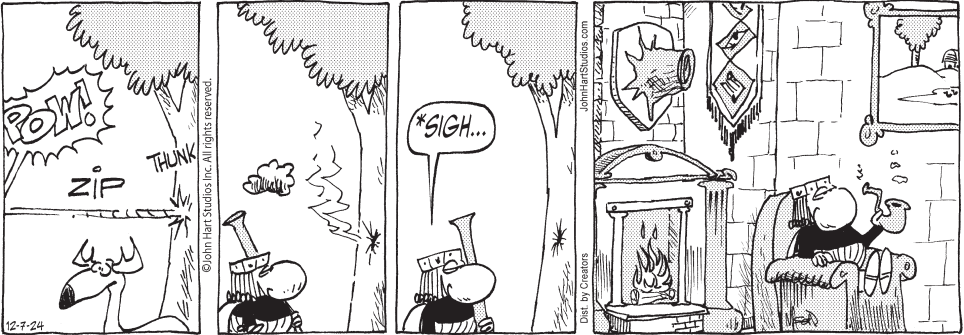
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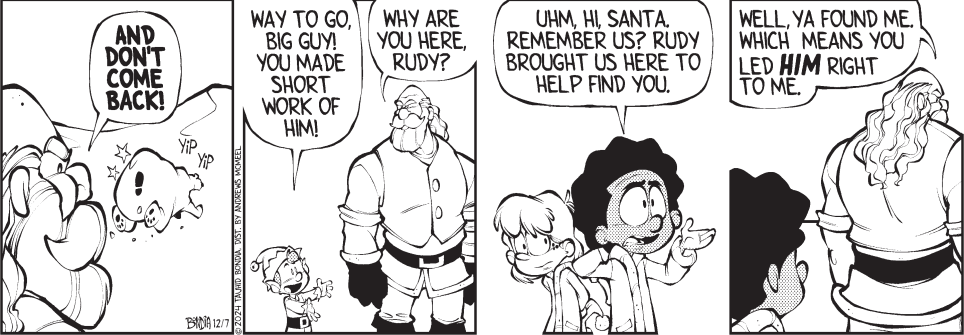
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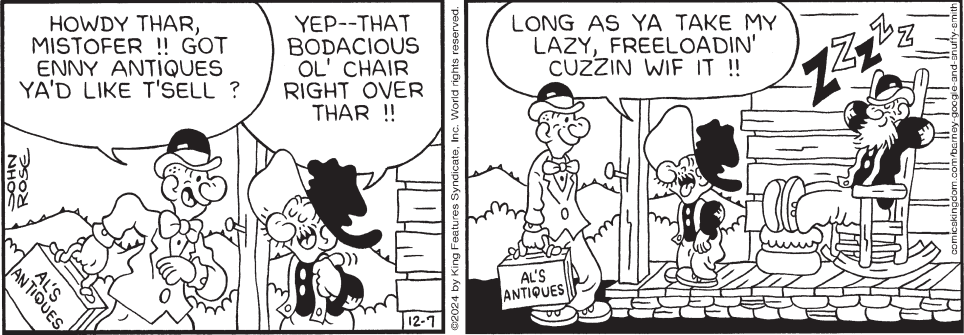
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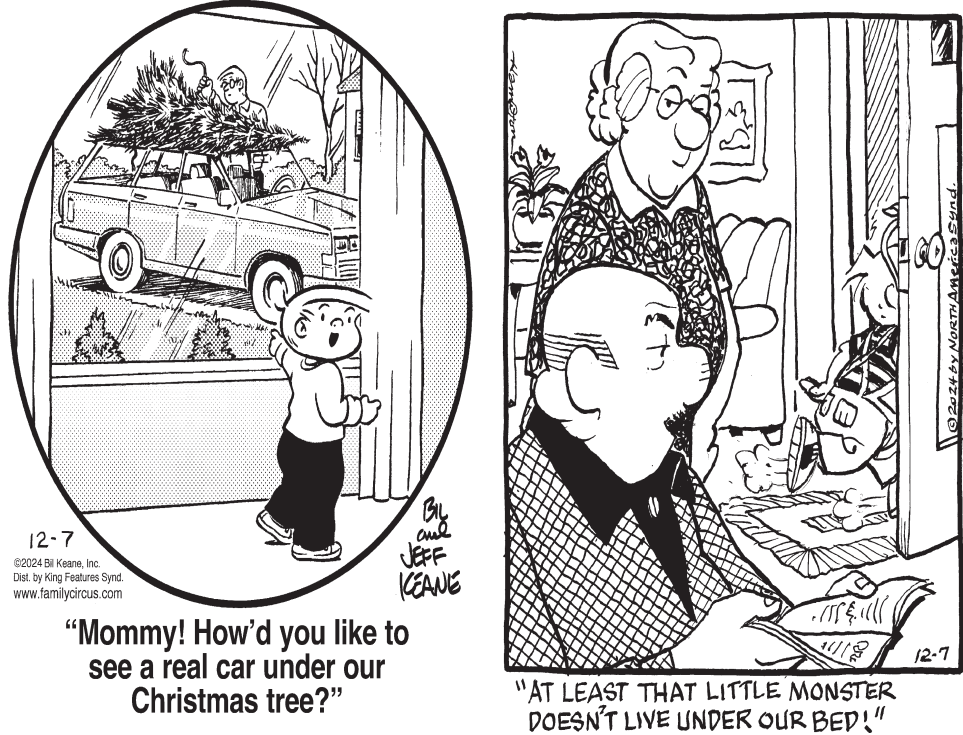


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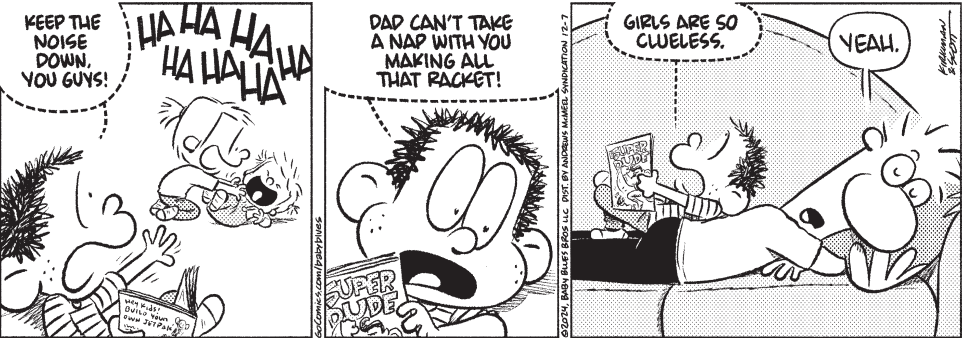
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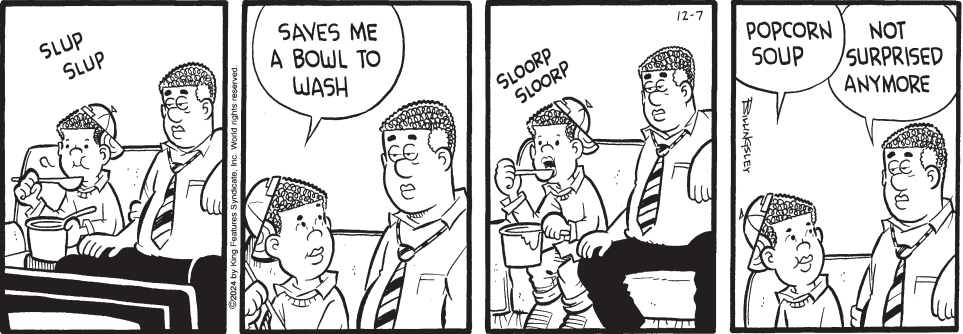
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Saturday, Dec. 7, the 342nd day of 2024. There are 24 days left in the year.

**Today in history:**

On Dec. 7, 1941, the Empire of Japan launched an air raid on the U.S. Navy base at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii, killing more than 2,300 Americans. The United States declared war against Japan the following day.

**Also on this date:**

**In 1787**, Delaware became the first state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

**In 1972**, America's last crewed moon mission to date was launched as Apollo 17 blasted off from Cape Canaveral.

**In 1982**, convicted murderer Charlie Brooks Jr. became the first U.S. prisoner to be executed by lethal injection, at a prison in Huntsville, Texas.

**In 1988**, a major earthquake in the Soviet Union devastated northern Armenia, killing at least 25,000 people.

**In 1993**, six people were killed and 19 wounded in a mass shooting aboard a Long Island Rail Road train in New York.

**In 2004**, Hamid Karzai was sworn in as Afghanistan's first popularly elected president.

**In 2018**, James Alex Fields Jr., who drove his car into a crowd of counterprotesters at a 2017 white nationalist rally in Virginia, was convicted of first-degree murder.

**Today's Birthdays:**

Linguist and political philosopher Noam Chomsky is 96. Actor Ellen Burstyn is 92. Baseball Hall of Famer Johnny Bench is 77. Singer-songwriter Tom Waits is 75. Sen. Susan M. Collins, R-Maine, is 72. Basketball Hall of Famer Larry Bird is 68. Actor Jeffrey Wright is 59. Actor C. Thomas Howell is 58. Football Hall of Famer Terrell Owens is 51. Football Hall of Famer Alan Faneca is 48. Actor Shiri Appleby is 46. Singer-songwriter Sara Bareilles is 45. Actor Nicholas Hoult is 35. MLB All-Star Pete Alonso is 30. Olympic swimming gold medalist Torri Huske is 22.



# Carrollton Police academy looking for students in 2025

BY TAYLOR WILLIAMS  
PAXTON MEDIA GROUP

Carrollton Police Department is planning its first ever Citizen's Police Academy in late February of 2025.

Det. Dave Roberts is currently working on organizing an eight to 12 week class for residents of Carrollton. The academy will be held one day a week, in the evening, for two hours each session. Students will learn "various topics used in policing the community including DUI detection, crime scene investigations, court procedures, conducting traffic stops and more."

Roberts said the purpose of the academy is not to train citizens to be police officers, but to "build a relationship with the police department and members of the community" by teaching community members "how the police department works." "It's not to teach them how to do things, it's to teach them how we do things," he said.

Roberts is hoping to host 20-25 students. Applications for the academy will open after the holidays and can be picked up at the police department for registration. Any updates or other information will be released through the department's Facebook page.

According to Roberts, students interested in joining the academy must be 18 or older, live within the city limits, and pass a criminal background check in order to qualify.

"The goal is to run one of these academies every year if we can," he said.

The academy will cover various subjects each week — a curriculum that is yet to be determined since subject ideas and lesson plans are still being determined but the plan is to cover not just community policing but also how policing meshes with other related topic such as the law and the court system. For example, Roberts said one of

the lessons will involve local attorneys teaching students "the differences between our district court and circuit court system" and what infractions, crime levels and legal issues are dealt with in each.

Another lesson will invite members from the Cabinet of Health and Family Services to provide an idea of what had how issues of child neglect and abuse are handled by the Cabinet.

In addition to lectures and question and answer sessions there will also be mock situations with students using the framework they've been provided to work a problem such as investigate a crime scene, conduct a mock traffic stop, firearms simulation and more.

"I think it'll be just a very educational thing for the citizens of Carrollton," Roberts said. "It'll give them a better understanding of policing ... and why some things either take a long

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— Det. Dave Roberts

time to happen or take a very short time to happen that they might not fully understand right now that this academy might be able to open up for them."

Upon completion of the academy, a graduation mad recognition will be held for the students. They will receive a certificate, challenge coin, T-shirt and polo shirts, and more. They will also be invited to volunteer and participate with the police department in various community events like Shop with a Cop.

"When they graduate, they will have no police authority, no powers, anything like that," Roberts said. "It is 100% an educational thing for the



Taylor Williams

One of the Challenge Coins that will be given to students upon graduation from the inaugural Carrollton Citizen's Police Academy next year.

community just to learn some of the things that police officers do and how they do it and why they do it."

The department has already received a \$2,500 donation to help fund the academy, which was used to purchase the awards,

certificates, shirts, polos, and challenge coins that will be given to students.

Roberts welcomed other businesses and/or organizations to also contribute to the inaugural academy and/or to the program moving forward.

# Big Oaks, Clifty calling on volunteers for bird count

BY THE COURIER STAFF

The Big Oaks National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) and Clifty Falls State Park will each participate in Audubon's longest-running wintertime tradition, the annual Christmas Bird Count (CBC) held locally this year on Dec. 21 and 28.

At Big Oaks National Wildlife Refuge at the former Jefferson Proving Ground, the count will take place Saturday, Dec. 21. At Clifty Falls State Park, the count will be held on Saturday, Dec. 28.

At Big Oaks National Wildlife Refuge, volunteer

birders and nature enthusiasts of all skill levels are needed to count birds. Sign up to count birds for a half-day (8 a.m. until noon, or noon until sunset) or all day. The event begins with a meet up at 8 a.m. at the Big Oaks NWR office.

The Big Oaks Conservation Society, a not-for-profit refuge support group, will provide lunch for volunteers at the refuge office. Anyone interested in participating in the Big Oaks NWR count, can preregister with the refuge at 812-273-0783. Weather for the Christ-

mas bird count can be variable, but warm and/or waterproof clothing is recommended.

A week later at Clifty Falls, members of the Indiana Audubon Society and other volunteers will conduct their annual Christmas Bird Count. You can participate all day or for just an hour or two. Bring binoculars and field guides. Field participants will meet at the Clifty Inn. Feeder observers need only pre-register. Pre-registration is requested before Dec. 24 by contacting Kevin Carlson at 812-701-3993.

The CBC began over a century ago when 27 conservationists in 25 localities, led by scientist and writer Frank Chapman, changed the course of ornithological history. On Christmas Day of 1900, the small group posed an alternative to the "side hunt," a Christmas day activity in which teams competed to see who could shoot the most birds and small mammals. Instead of shooting birds, Chapman proposed to identify, count, and record all the birds they saw, founding what is now considered

to be the world's most significant citizen-based conservation effort and a more than century-old institution.

Apart from its attraction as a social and competitive event, the CBC reveals valuable scientific data. Each count group completes a census of the birds found during one 24-hour period between Dec. 14 and Jan. 5 in a designated circle 15 miles in diameter — about 177 square miles.

Now in its 125th year, the CBC is larger than ever with more than 2,000 individual counts

scheduled, expanding its geographical range and accumulating information about the winter distributions of various birds. It is vital in monitoring the status of resident and migratory birds across the Western Hemisphere. The data, 100% volunteer generated, have become a crucial part of the U.S. Government's natural history monitoring database.

Count results from 1900 to the present are available through Audubon's website: <https://www.audubon.org/conservation/science/christmas-bird-count>.



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Hanover Parks Director Scott Davidson (left) and Olivia Wyciskalla, recipient of the third annual Friend of Hanover Park award are shown at Tuesday's Hanover Park Board meeting.

## Wyciskalla honored with Friend of Hanover Park award

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Olivia Wyciskalla of Hanover was recipient of the third annual Friend of Hanover Park award at Tuesday's Hanover Park Board meeting.

"She is always willing to help. From registering kids for our workouts to assisting with our girls basketball program as a

gym monitor, she always greets everyone with a smile," said Parks Director Scott Davidson said of the Hanover resident.

Other recipients of the Friend of Hanover Park award have been Kevin Jester, 2022, and Don Servier, 2023.

Davidson said \$3,350 has been raised to support

the Hanover Community Christmas Celebration with 17 sponsors. Events include the Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Southwestern Elementary Gymnasium and Reindoor Games with the Grinch on Friday, Dec. 20, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Hanover Community Building.

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# Technical committee ponders 400-acre limit on solar projects

BY BOB DEMAREE

Just two weeks after Orion Renewable Energy Group LLC was denied its application for a solar energy development in Saluda Township, the Jefferson County Plan Commission technical committee was back at work Tuesday considering solar updates to the counth’y Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). “We’re continuing to work on the ordinances, and we’ll be meeting again to work on them,” said Plan Commission President Warren Auxier. “We want to get input from the Commissioners because they want to have say in it as well. We are not making any decisions, but making recommendations back to Plan Commission.” The technical committee met more than two hours, led by Amy Williams, principal/part-

ner with Taylor Siefker Williams Design Group. Tuesday’s discussion focused on setbacks from existing residential homes and other property lines that are not part of the solar project. There also was discussion about the possibility limiting the number of acres that can be used for solar in the county, although no number was established. Additionally, there was consideration of limiting solar project size to 400 acres with a 3-mile separation from other solar project areas. Orion Project Development Manager Amanda Hoffman said, “You won’t see a solar project if you put a cap of 400 acres. That’s the honest truth ... It just wouldn’t be feasible.” The proposal by Orion in Saluda Township would have encompassed 3,324 acres of which

2,050 acres would have been fenced inside of that for actual placement of the solar panel arrays and related equipment. Deputy Pike resident Paula Weatherbee, who in the past has voiced her opposition to solar industries in Jefferson County, said Spencer County has a 200-acre maximum for solar projects. “If you put a cap of 400 acres and didn’t say there’s a required distance, the BZA (Board of Zoning Appeals) still has complete authority to deny further applications that come in addition to the 400 acres,” said Hoffman. “There could be 400 acres for one that is approved then 5 football fields away another one is approved that’s 400 acres but if you put that distance then you’re essentially making it so solar isn’t allowed, if that’s what you want to do. Spencer County did

that so solar wouldn’t get built. No project has got built with those requirements.” No date has been set for the next technical committee meeting but Auxier noted there remains more work to be accomplished, and he’s hopeful more headway can be made the next time the committee meets. However, there is some leeway in getting the project done since it will be 10 more months before any solar applications can be accepted in tghe county after the County Commissioners established a one-year solar moratorium that ends Sept. 19, 2025. Prior to the solar meeting, the County BZA approved a special exception at 11991 West State Road 250, Deputy, owned by Rodney and Lisa Phillips, for an 800-square-foot addition to a barn structure with one bed-

room and one bathroom for use by out-of-town family or potentially for family housing. The BZA also voted to recommend the reappointment of Jenny Beverly and Kellen Cronen to the board, whose current terms end Dec. 31. In the regular Plan Commission meeting, Auxier said Gene Riedel requested not to be reappointed when his term is completed at the end of the year. “He decided it’s time for him to retire. He has put in a lot of years. We have appreciated his service over the many years he has served on the plan commission,” said Auxier, noting a replacement for Riedel will be sought. Also, the Plan Commission voted to recommend David Bramer and Beverly be reappointed to the commission.

## Parks Board approves 2025 rates, hears suggestions on passes

BY BOB DEMAREE

The Madison Parks Board adopted parks department program rate changes for 2025 — including Crystal Beach Aquatic Center, Sunrise Golf Course, youth activities and more — at Monday’s meeting. Madison resident Jan Vetrhus suggested lowering the Crystal Beach family of four pass cost from \$475 to \$350, noting the lower fee might produce the same revenue through stronger sales. She also noted that the same could be true of individual season passes. “The beauty of selling the passes is that you get your money up front and it should make getting into the pool easier,” Vetrhus said. With the annual pass for seniors age 55 and over at \$100, Vetrhus also suggested working with Bethany Legacy Foundation and the Senior Center to offer passes for financially challenged senior citizens, much the same as the practice with children of lower income families. “I don’t think any of those suggestions are out of bounds. I think they’re

all very good suggestions,” said Madison Parks Director Scott Klein. However, he noted that it is just one season since the pool reopened, and he thinks residents will be more aware of the pool’s benefits and that could lead to an increase in season pass sales for 2025. “I say leave prices where they are, then get through this summer and see” where the numbers are. “If we have the same numbers as this year, then it’s a valid point to start talking about” making more changes in the rates. In other business, the board. • With plans for AK Entertainment LLC to open a family entertainment venue on the hilltop with a radio-control track, cornhole, arcades and a skating rink, owner/operator Kenny Higbie inquired about renting skates from the parks department. The city owns 200 pairs of roller skates purchased for skating events held at the Brown Gym and Higbie inquired if the city would consider renting them for use at his facility, located at

2830 Wilson Avenue in the former Orschlen Farm & Home building. No decision was made but the board did not deny the proposal. “We’re not here to compete with local businesses. We’re here to help fill voids, and if we have someone filling that void in the community that’s going to have a skating rink, then awesome,” Klein said. • Klein said the parks department is considering new software for its operation to replace RecDesk with a California-based company named Rec, that has applications for facility rentals, program signups, passes and more. He said the cost of RecDesk is \$6,800 per year while Rec’s proposal is \$8,000. “We get more service for a little more extra dollars,” said Klein. “The staff thinks it’s the way to go ... We need to find something that’s much more user friendly. We spend a lot of time walking people through signing up programs” and he believes that would be alleviated by changing to the Rec software.

## Ivy Tech to celebrate nursing, health sciences expansion

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Ivy Tech Community College Madison campus will host a ribbon cutting ceremony at 11 a.m. Tuesday to celebrate the expansion and renovation of its nursing and health sciences facilities. This expansion is part of Ivy Tech’s ongoing commitment to meet the rising demand for healthcare professionals in Indiana and accommodate the growth of Ivy Tech Madison’s nursing program. The event will take place on the on the second floor of the campus. The expansion includes a comprehensive update to the east wing on the second floor, with advanced nursing simulation labs, adding new student lockers and installing glass-walled classrooms. The renovations will provide students with improved visibility and access to cutting-edge simulation technology, creating a learning

environment that closely mirrors real-world healthcare settings. The event will also recognize the launch of the collaborative Hanover College/Ivy Tech Madison nursing partnership. The program provides Hanover College students with a seamless path to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN). The first cohort began this fall. Through this partnership, students start by completing foundational courses at Hanover College, then transition to Ivy Tech Madison to complete nursing-specific coursework and clinical training. Finally, they return to Hanover for their last year to earn their Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN). The partnership leverages Ivy Tech’s accredited nursing programs and extensive clinical networks, combined with Hanover’s strong liberal arts foundation, to offer a comprehensive

and cost-effective route to a nursing career. The goal of the program is to prepare students for the NCLEX (National Council Licensure Examination) exam and enable them to enter the workforce as competent, patient-centered nursing professionals. Key supporters of the project include Norton Healthcare and Norton King’s Daughters’ Health, whose partnership with Ivy Tech Madison has been instrumental in making the expansion possible. “This collaboration exemplifies the power of industry and education working together to strengthen our healthcare workforce and benefit our local community,” said Ivy Tech Madison Chancellor Dr. Amanda Harsin. “Expanding and improving these spaces will allow us to increase our student capacity, helping to meet the demand for healthcare professionals.”

## Sunrise Golf Course deficit more than \$100K as year winds down

BY BOB DEMAREE

With a step forward in 2023 to balance the budget for Sunrise Golf Course, it’s looking like there likely will be a slight step back in 2024. Madison Parks and Recreation Director Scott Klein said at Monday’s Madison Parks Board meeting that through the end of November that the golf course has a deficit of \$131,500 — revenue at \$481,500 and expenses at \$613,000. “Not good numbers at the golf course,” Klein said. “I’m pretty disappointed. I just think we need to do a better job managing our staff up there” while also working harder to increase revenue. “We’re going to attack it hard next year with more programs to bring in revenue, and to manage our staff more effectively,” he said. Klein said increasing revenue will help counter the deficit. “I think we have a plan on the revenue side for next year. I think we have to execute it.” However, Parks Board President Carla Krebs said, “We had plan this year and it didn’t work out. I am just a little frustrated that dramatic swing” in the deficit, noting that this year’s current \$131,500 deficit is four times the 2023 deficit of \$38,100. In 2022, the deficit was \$72,455. However, it’s all an improvement from four years ago when the deficit was more than \$300,000.

Klein said salary and benefits for employees are the biggest expense although the full-time staff amounts to golf pro Roger Gallatin, and three maintenance employees. “I don’t know what we can do about staffing, other than people who aren’t on salary and benefits, in my opinion. We’re already a skeleton crew,” said board member Jake Shockley. Klein said the best way to lower personnel costs is through better managing part-time workers. “We need to do a much better job of managing our staff up there. We need to be a little bit more sharp, and make sure people are working and getting work done, and we don’t need a ton of bodies up there to do that work. That will be a very strong focus for us coming into the new year. We also have lofty revenue goals for the next year so there has to be a lot of work done in generating revenue from outside sources, events, league play, junior play. We have to generate more revenue at the golf course and we have to cover expenses if we’re going to break even.” Klein is optimistic the deficit will end up less than the \$131,500 at the end of November but not enough to eliminate the loss with the sale of 2025 season passes in December. “We’re hoping that will generate some revenue in December and help cut back on this number,” he said. On Tuesday, season passes

went on sale for 2025 for this year’s rate of \$800, which increases to \$850 on Jan. 1. Even as costs were better managed this year with chemicals and food service, Klein said, there was \$32,000 spent on water, \$8,000 on electricity, and \$12,000 to \$15,000 on irrigation repair. With an aging irrigation system, that will be an expense “that’s going to keep climbing for us. We’re seeing the age of the golf course now more than ever. It’s not going to get better, it’s going to get worse” until maintenance and renovation can be done on the irrigation system. Klein said there have been other equipment breaks. “They’re trying to keep things together with a little bit of bubble gum and duct tape, and it’s expensive. That’s where a lot of our expenses are from.” Madison resident Ken McWilliams commended Christian Hanson for his role as the grounds superintendent. “If city has an employee of the year, Christian Hanson needs to be nominated for that.” Due to the drought in June, “you could already tell the golf course was in distress,” but Hanson “was on top of what was happening and he saved our greens ... He did a great job in saving that golf course.” Krebs said, “I have no qualms with the staff. I just have qualms with the bottom line. Thank you for the positive feedback.”



Charlie Rohlfing

Professional wrestler, filmmaker, actor, movie production assistant, writer, and director Dashawn Kelley of Madison is shown.

## KELLEY

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bar in Madison? Again, lots of competition, but Andre Howard and his crew make a great case for themselves. We went there last Saturday, sat at the bar with some friends, and listened to Joe & Deano performing the most delightful mix of popular songs. The music was properly loud, but not so loud we couldn’t converse. The vibe was warm and convivial. And as I said, Andre and his crew make you feel like instant family. The good news is, if you want to check it out for yourself, Joe & Deano are back at The Drake this

Thursday! So grab some friends, have your tip money ready for the band, and enjoy a perfectly lovely evening of music and lively camaraderie.

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

First Street Saloon — Deadeye Drifters  
Rivertown Grill — Rock Steady  
The Central — Killing Smalls  
Tailgators — Rachel Holt (9 p.m.-Midnight)

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

First Street Saloon — L&L Karaoke  
Red Bicycle Hall — RadioFace w/Anthony Ray Wright  
The Central — Jimmy Davis Band  
Fairgrounds — For

the Love of Bluegrass (& Gospel & Country) (2-6 p.m.)  
Fairfield Inn — Stan Attenberger (7-10 p.m.)  
Thomas Family Winery — Clocgeann (8-11 p.m.)  
VFW Post 1969 — Silverwings (8 p.m.-Midnight)  
Rivertown Grill — The Mood (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)  
Tailgators — Liquor Box (9 p.m.-1 a.m.)

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

Rivertown Grill — Jimmy Davis (7-10 p.m.)  
Charlie Rohlfing is a retired advertising man and partner in The Red Bicycle Hall music venue. Look for his distinctive fedora bobbing above the crowd, anywhere live local music is happening.



# Madison ‘Indiana’s Music City’ now trademarked

**BY MARK CAMPBELL**  
Organizers of the Madison Music Movement have been unofficially promoting Madison as Indiana’s Music City for the past several years and now it’s official.

Madison Music Movement organizers Todd Boone and Charlie Rohlfing were on hand at Tuesday’s Madison City Council meeting to announce that Madison is now officially trademarked as “Indiana’s Music City” through the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Boone said the trademark is more than just a promotional moniker and actually reflects the organized efforts of promoters and talented musicians who either call Madison home, a performance base or both and the local venues, festivals and patrons who embrace local and regional talent by supporting the restaurants, bars and clubs that feature live music and make Madison a year-round music destination.

Boone noted live music not only “enhances the quality of life” but makes for a “vibrant city” with music and arts making Madison a better place to live, work and visit as a tourist.

Madison Music Movement — wanting to own rather than just use the label the group developed and cultivated for the community — actually applied for the trademark several months ago and received confirmation recently that the trademark was actually registered by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 25 as No. 7,426,922 complete with a gold seal and signature of Katherine Kelly Vidal, director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

“We weren’t really nec-

essarily looking to go after the trademark,” said Boone. “But then Bloomington started coming at us and saying ‘Hey, we’re better at music than Madison’ ... so we aggressively went after it. We didn’t think we’d get it. It’s debatable. They could come in and say ‘We’re Indiana’s music city,’ but not according to the patent and trademark commission. We are.”

Boone noted that Madison has done its part to earn the distinction. Madison Music Movement was actually singled out for kind and encouraging words at a recent gathering that included Indiana Arts Commissioner Mark Maxwell of Jeffersonville, who made it a point to note that Madison has “ ‘been making some noise’ in the music industry and ‘nothing in the state is making a bigger impact than Madison Music Movement.’ ”

“A blade is starting to grow,” said Boone, adding that Madison’s grassroots efforts are paying dividends.

Mayor Bob Courtney recalled being at Madison Music Movement meeting in 2020 when a presentation on branding and the importance of branding was featured and how that has now come to pass.

“I think that, as well as all those people in the room and Charlie and others, and also the connection with the city and the connection with the community — the level of community engagement Madison has in moving it forward in so many ways — and the consolidation of all of our tourism partners from the Board of Tourism, VMI, Madison Main Street, City of Madison, Jefferson County, Hanover College — this stuff doesn’t happen by accident,” Courtney said.

“It’s very methodical with a vision. And when you’re executing a vision and you have a plan, what you are going to have are the outcomes that we desire, which is growth in tourism, building out the infrastructure, branding Madison and putting Madison on the map.

“You combine that with everything else we’re doing and you’re fostering an identity of Madison that is way beyond the city of Madison’s border,” Courtney added. “We talk a lot about Madison being the original gateway to Indiana — to the Indiana a territory. We’ve been here longer than Indiana has been and we will continue to be that welcoming signal of what you’re about to experience in Madison and in the state of Indiana. That’s what we’re selling — this quality of life that we’re building, this experience that is better than all the places that you’ve been...”

Courtney has supported the Madison Music Movement from the start, is part-owner of a local venue and occasionally plays in a local band. He accepted the framed trademark document for display at city hall and thanked Boone, Rohlfing and the others behind the movement for their efforts to promote Madison and make the city a vibrant and entertaining community to live and visit.

“Walking the walk is really important so we have to continue to make the investment to continue that brand,” he said. “It takes a lot of people and a lot of capital from those who are willing to invest, so thank you both for your willingness to invest time and talent and money to continue to put Madison on the map.”

In other business, the



Mark Campbell

**Madison Mayor Bob Courtney (right) receives the framed U.S. Trademark certificate naming Madison “Indiana’s Music City” from Madison Music Movement organizers Todd Boone (left) and Charlie Rohlfing.**

council:

- Unanimously approved two resolutions to transfer funds to reconcile budget line items in several departments and accounts and held the first reading of two proposed ordinances — one to approve additional appropriations with no impact on the overall 2024 budget and another related to an unfavorable recommendation by the City’s Plan Commission on an application to rezone 2317 Lanier Drive from General Business to Medium Density Residential.

No action was taken on either ordinance, which can be on the council’s next agenda on Dec. 17.

Councilman Patrick Thevenow, the Plan Commission chairman, said the zoning application had been included in three Plan Commission agendas and the applicant never showed up to explain the request. He noted there have also been some “enforcement issues” with the property so the Plan Commission after the applicant again failed to show up in November the Commission opted to move the application on to

city council with an unfavorable recommendation.

- Heard a report by Deputy Mayor Mindy McGee that road work on Clifty Drive has been suspended for the winter since asphalt plants have stopped work for the season. She said some sidewalk work might still take place this year but that milling and paving, crosswalks, traffic signals and striping will be delayed until the spring with work starting in approximately mid- to late March with completion of the project by October 2025.

- The city has received two grants to make traffic improvements on Main Street — one a traffic safety grant to make traffic calming on East Main Street and the other to make upgrades to the intersections of Main and Mulberry and Main and West streets to provide new crosswalks, traffic signals including audible signals at crosswalks.

- Heard a report that a traffic committee meeting has been scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 19, in council chambers.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### EVENTS

**A Very Merry Madison**  
Christmas Parade and Celebration  
Downtown Madison  
Saturday, Dec. 7, 11 a.m.  
Floats, giant helium balloons and more on Main Street. After the parade, there will be a celebration at the Broadway Fountain with Santa Claus, inflatables, food trucks and more until 2 p.m.

**Hanover Christmas Craft Fair**  
Southwestern Elementary School Gymnasium  
273 South Main Cross Street, Hanover  
Saturday, Dec. 7, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Presented by the Hanover Parks Department with approximately 30 vendors. Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus will visit from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and a kids craft area.

**Light Up Bedford**  
Bedford, Kentucky  
Saturday, Dec. 7, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The community will hold its Breakfast with Santa, Festival of Trees and Wreaths, crafts and bake sale, Christmas Parade, caroling and community three lighting ceremony on the Courthouse Square.

**Very Hallmark Christmas Carroll**  
Downtown Carrollton, Kentucky  
Saturday, Dec. 7, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The second annual Very Hallmark Christmas Carroll, hosted by the Carrollton Main Street Program, includes a 5K run at 9 a.m., a baking contest noon to 3 p.m., a Christmas Parade at 6 p.m., opening of the city’s skating rink, and crafts and food vendors on the Carroll County Courthouse Square.



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HS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Floyd Central pulls away in 2nd half

Team hands Madison 1st loss of season

**BY THE COURIER STAFF**

Floyd Central outscored Madison 28-11 in the second half to pull away to a 53-32 win in a battle of undefeated girls basketball teams on Tuesday in Madison.

With both teams playing up-tempo, the first half was a back-and-forth affair with Floyd Central (5-0) leading 17-14 after the first quarter and 25-21 at halftime.

But Madison went cold in the half-court in the second half and Floyd Central took advantage, outscoring the Cubs 20-10 in the third quarter and cruising to the win in the fourth quarter.

Mylee McQueary and Juliana Davis scored eight points each to lead Madison.

Madison, now 5-1 on the season, travels to New Washington Tuesday.



**LADY PANTHERS CLAIM WIN**  
Carroll County girls basketball defeated Cornerstone Christian 65-39 in the Panthers' season

opener Tuesday at home. The Lady Panthers jumped out to a 16-6 lead by the close of the first quarter and expanded that to



**Above:** Madison's Juliana Davis (left) steals the ball from Floyd Central's Ava Hausz during Tuesday's game at Salm Gymnasium. Madison, 5-1, picked up its first loss of the season, 53-32, to the 5-0 Highlanders.

**Left:** Madison's Kenzie Smith (12) plucks the ball off the foot of Floyd Central's Mia Gianfagna during Tuesday's game in Madison. The 5-1 Cubs were dealt their first setback of the season 53-32 by the unbeaten Highlanders.

38-12 at halftime before playing the Bulldogs even in the second half. Cloie McGuire had 14 points to lead Carroll and Elle Spencer

scored 13 points and had five rebounds.

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HANOVER ROUNDUP

Panthers open HCAC season with home win over Berea

**BY THE COURIER STAFF**

Hanover outscored Berea by 11 in the second half to claim a 78-70 win in the Panthers' Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference men's basketball opener on Wednesday at home.

Hanover trailed 35-32 at halftime but shot nearly 50% from the floor in the second half to pull away to the win over the Mountaineers, who joined the HCAC last July with the departure of Defiance to the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Luke Miller, a Madison graduate, scored 23 points to lead Hanover and Coleman Sater had 16 points and 13 rebounds for the Panthers. Jack Miller, a former Madison Cub, scored only one point but he had seven rebounds.

Hanover, now 5-1 overall and HCAC, travels to Franklin on Saturday and hosts Manchester next Saturday, Dec. 14.



**PANTHER WOMEN WIN AT BERA**

Hanover women's basketball dominated the fourth quarter to pull away for a 61-43 win at Berea, Kentucky, on Wednesday.

The Panthers led only 41-37 after three quarters but outscored Berea 20-6 in the fourth to pick up the win in their first meeting in league play since the Mountaineers joined the HCAC last July.

Grace Bezold and Katherine Benter each posted nearly identical double-doubles to lead Hanover. Bezold had 23 points and 12 rebounds while Benter had 20 points and 12 rebounds.

Hanover, now 6-1 overall and 2-0 HCAC, travels to Franklin on Saturday and hosts Manchester next Saturday, Dec. 14.



**Above:** Hanover's Jack Miller (11) drives to the basket against Berea's Bryce Riley during Wednesday's game at Collier Arena. Hanover (4-1) mounted a second half comeback to top the previously unbeaten Mountaineers 78-70.

UP NEXT

Hanover Panthers will travel to Franklin on Saturday and will host Manchester next Saturday, Dec. 14.

Hanover Panther Women will travel to Franklin on Saturday and will host Manchester next Saturday, Dec. 14.

CFP rankings have Miami, Ole Miss, South Carolina puzzled

**BY TIM REYNOLDS AND STEPHEN HAWKINS**  
AP SPORTS WRITERS

CORAL GABLES, Fla. — Miami wants things reconsidered. So does South Carolina. The Big 12 is puzzled. And Mississippi coach Lane Kiffin turned toward social media to ask the College Football Playoff committee a question.

"You guys actually meet for days and come up with these rankings??" Kiffin wrote.

The fallout and, for some, anger stemming from the release of the latest CFP ranking — one that almost certainly means Miami (10-2), South Carolina (9-3) and Ole Miss (9-3) all have no chance of getting into the 12-team field — continued Wednesday as the schools on the outside looking in continued making their case, even though all hope for them seems to be gone.

Alabama (9-3) would be in as the final at-large selection, for now. Miami would be the first team left on the outside looking in, and the Hurricanes are hoping the selectors take another look at their case —

even though CFP committee chair Warde Manuel insisted they would not.

"I have confidence that things at the end will be viewed the way that they should be viewed," Miami coach Mario Cristobal said. "And who knows how that thing's going to work out."

A term Manuel used repeatedly Tuesday night, when trying to explain the rankings, was "data point."

It is not a term that the Hurricanes and Gamecocks, among others, are fond of.

"Warde Manuel, if I hear the word 'data point' one more time in my life, I may throw up," South Carolina coach Shane Beamer said.

Last weekend, the Gamecocks won at Clemson — a ranked team — and moved up one spot in the CFP ranking. Alabama won over Auburn — a team that finished 5-7 — and was rewarded with a two-spot bump into the critical No. 11 position, the one that essentially would ensure a spot in the 12-team playoff.

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**LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR**

**FRIDAY, DEC. 6**

**BASKETBALL**

- Carroll Co. boys at Augusta, 6 p.m.
- Southwestern girls host Shawe, 6 p.m.
- Carroll Co. girls at Holmes, 7:30 p.m.
- Madison boys host Jennings Co., 7:30 p.m.
- Switzerland Co. boys at Clarksville, 7:30 p.m.
- Southwestern boys host Shawe, 8 p.m.

**WRESTLING**

- Southwestern, Switzerland Co. boys at Scottsburg, 5 p.m.

**SATURDAY, DEC. 7**

**BASKETBALL**

- Trimble Co. boys, TBA
- Hanover women at Franklin, 1 p.m.
- Southwestern girls host Medora, 1 p.m.
- Switzerland Co. girls host Christian Academy of Indiana, 1:30 p.m.
- Hanover men at Franklin, 3 p.m.
- Madison boys host Corydon, 7:30 p.m.
- Southwestern boys host Columbus East, 7:30 p.m.
- Switzerland Co. boys host Trimble Co., 7:30 p.m.

**SWIMMING**

- Madison, Madison Invite, 8:30 a.m.

- Shawe, Southwestern at Lawrenceburg, 9 a.m.
- Switzerland Co. hosts Lanesville, 10 a.m.

**WRESTLING**

- Southwestern, Switzerland Co. boys at Scottsburg, 8 a.m.
- Madison boys at Jeffersonville, 9 a.m.
- Madison girls at Monrovia, 9 a.m.

**SUNDAY, DEC. 8**

- No local events

**MONDAY, DEC. 9**

**BASKETBALL**

- Trimble Co. girls at Williamstown, 7:30 p.m.

**TUESDAY, DEC. 10**

**BASKETBALL**

- Shawe girls host Hauser, 6 p.m.
- Carroll Co. girls host Beechwood, 7:30 p.m.
- Madison girls at New Washington, 7:30 p.m.
- Madison Christian boys host Shawe, 7:30 p.m.
- Southwestern girls host Milan, 7:30 p.m.
- Switzerland Co. girls at Franklin Co., 7:30 p.m.
- Trimble Co. boys host Frankfort Christian, 7:30 p.m.

**SWIMMING**

- Madison at Floyd Central, 6 p.m.
- Southwestern hosts Shawe, South Ripley, 6 p.m.

**Right:** Hanover's Luke Miller (12) shoots over Berea's Marquis Mackey during the Panthers' game at home on Wednesday.



# Risky 2-point call pays off for Colts

## Playoff bid in Richardson's hands

**BY MICHAEL MAROT**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — Indianapolis Colts coach Shane Steichen took a big chance on one final play call Sunday.

He put the ball in Anthony Richardson's hands and the second-year quarterback who was benched by Steichen one month earlier made his coach's decision look smart by running through multiple defenders for the decisive 2-point conversion.

Rather than play it safe by kicking an extra point to force overtime on the road, Steichen's risk paid off and the Colts walked away with a crucial 25-24 victory on the biggest chance he's taken in two seasons as coach. He didn't even hesitate.

"That was gut there, for sure," Steichen said Monday. "I think game flow is a big part of it, where you're at in the season. You could have kicked (it) there and tied the game and next thing you know,



AP Photo/Steven Senne

Indianapolis Colts running back Jonathan Taylor (28) carries the ball against New England Patriots safety Kyle Dugger (23) during the second half of an NFL football game on Sunday in Foxborough, Mass.

they get the ball, you get a stop and boom, boom, boom, it ends in a tie. You never know. It's like you're there on the 2-yard line, went with my gut to go get it."

This was not just another gutsy play call by an NFL coach.

The Colts (6-7) trailed by one with 12 seconds left in a game they desperately needed to stay in the playoff hunt — and perhaps to bolster the team's morale after losing four of the previous five games.

Although Richardson showed

he could rally his team with a late comeback against the New York Jets two weeks earlier, he needed to prove he could do it again.

Moments after Richardson found Alec Pierce for a 3-yard TD pass on fourth-and-goal, Steichen gave Richardson a run-pass option that Richardson considered no option at all.

So the guy Steichen had recently challenged to make a stronger commitment to the team and sport he loves, went all-in and got the payoff.

"I know Shane called that play for a certain reason," Richardson said. "I was reading the outside guys on it, but once I looked in the middle, I just decided I was going to take it and put it in my hands and try to make a decision right there and try to make it work."

Every risky decision won't pay off, of course.

But Steichen took a chance on Richardson by selecting him with the No. 4 overall draft pick last year, by picking him as the starter that summer, by benching him in October and by reinstalling him as the starter in mid-November.

And now, Steichen seems content to let Indy's playoff hopes ride on Richardson, too.

## Burrow no longer talking playoffs after Bengals' latest loss

**BY MITCH STACY**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Bengals have found all manner of ways to lose close games this season.

Sunday's 44-38 loss to AFC North rival Pittsburgh can be blamed on a defense that missed tackles and allowed 520 yards of offense, and three turnovers by Joe Burrow.

It's become a familiar story in this disappointing season. Cincinnati (4-8) keeps scoring lots of points but can't close out games. Seven of the Bengals' eight losses this year have been by one score.

Burrow has stopped talking about the possibility of going on a run and making the playoffs. He'd just like to win another game or two.

"Playoffs are the furthest thing from my mind," the fifth-year quarterback said. "You never know what can happen, so I'll keep putting one foot in front of the other and try to be the best player I can be for the rest of the season, week in and week out."

The Bengals allowed Steelers quarterback Russell Wilson to throw for a season-high 414 yards and three touchdowns. After Wilson threw an interception that was returned for a touchdown, the Steelers (9-3) scored on seven of their last nine possessions. They didn't punt until early in the fourth quarter.

Burrow lost two fumbles and threw an interception.

"We haven't done enough to earn the win," coach Zac Taylor said. "It's a simple as that. It's nobody else's fault but our own. We haven't earned it."

## Wildcats stumble at Clemson

Kentucky dealt 1st loss under Pope

**BY AARON GERSHON**  
THE CATS' PAUSE

CLEMSON, S.C. — In a game that featured 13 lead changes, the No. 4 ranked Kentucky Wildcats came out on the losing side 70-66 to the Clemson Tigers inside Littlejohn Coliseum in the ACC-SEC Challenge.

The loss was Kentucky's first of the season and of the Mark Pope era at Kentucky as the Wildcats fell to 7-1 on the season with the defeat.

"It's Kentucky; it's everyone's Super Bowl. This is our guys first experience here (in a true road game) and it won't ever get easier," Pope said post-game following a loss that led to the Clemson fans storming the court. "This is why you come here. This is why you put on this jersey, so you can do that. It's an honor, but it also requires us to be great, and tonight, we weren't quite great enough."

Kentucky trailed by seven at halftime but rallied to take multiple leads early in the second half.

The Tigers (8-1) held the Wildcats to 30 points fewer than their average of 96.7 per game coming in, which led the country.

After a layup from Lamont Butler put Kentucky on top 52-51 with 10:57 left to play, the Tigers used a 9-2 run in the next three minutes to take a 61-54 lead with just over seven minutes left to play.

Clemson never trailed again.

Otega Oweh's 17 points led the way for the Wildcats. But he shot 5-for-13 from the field, 1-for-5 from three, and 6-for-8 from the free throw line, and that was not enough to overcome an 11-point, 20-rebound performance from Clemson forward Ian Schieffelin and a 12-point performance from Chauncey Wiggins.

Kentucky struggled both from three and at the free throw line Tuesday as UK shot just 7-for-27 (25.9%) from beyond the arch and 11-for-18 (61.1%) from the foul stripe.

"Sometimes when you get sped up, you actually get slowed down and that very much happened us on the offensive side and that comes with just growing trust in the way we play and how we execute. I think we'll be really disappointed with ourselves and how we tried to ring the bell on the offensive side. Out of the goodness of our hearts and care for our team, we tried to fix a lot of things by ourselves. It's not how we play."



Darrell Bird/The Cats' Pause

Kentucky's Otega Oweh drives the baseline during the Wildcats' game at Clemson on Tuesday night.

### ANALYSIS

## Benchings may have been best for Young, Richardson

**BY ROB MAADDI**  
AP PRO FOOTBALL WRITER

Getting benched may have been the best thing that happened to Bryce Young and Anthony Richardson.

Both second-year quarterbacks are playing well since returning to the starting lineup.

Young has steadily improved after coming back in Week 8. He's displayed the skills that earned him a Heisman Trophy at Alabama and convinced the Carolina Panthers to draft him ahead of C.J. Stroud with the No. 1 overall pick in 2023.

Young had his best game on Sunday, nearly leading Carolina to an overtime win over Tampa Bay if it weren't for Chuba Hubbard's fumble in field-goal range. He threw for 298 yards and a go-ahead touchdown pass in the final minute of a 26-23 loss.

Young almost led the Panthers to a win over the two-time defending Super Bowl champion Chiefs a week earlier only to see Patrick Mahomes drive Kansas City into position for a winning field goal as time expired.

Rookie coach Dave Canales benched Young for veteran Andy Dalton after just two games in which he had a 44.1 passer rating.

The 23-year-old has completed 60.4% of his passes for 1,062 yards, six TDs and three interceptions — none in the past three games — while going 2-3 in the five starts since Young got another opportunity to lead the Panthers (3-9).

Richardson has led Indianapolis to a pair of comeback wins late in the fourth quarter in three starts after he regained his starting job. The Colts (6-7) selected Richardson No. 4 last year and he started just 10 games before coach Shane Steichen benched him for Joe Flacco in Week 9.

Richardson completed only 44.4% of his passes with four TDs and seven picks in his first six starts. He's improved to 52.4% with three TDs and two picks since coming back. The 22-year-old tossed a 3-yard TD pass to Alec Pierce on fourth-and-goal with 12 seconds remaining and then ran in for a 2-point conversion to lift the Colts to a 25-24 win over New England on Sunday.

## COURIER AREA SPORTS SHORTS

**BY THE COURIER STAFF**

— Shawe's Audrey Barron and Switzerland County's Cam Craig have been named Ohio River Valley Conference players of the week.

Barron, who won the award in girls basketball, had 27 points, 11 rebounds and nine assists against Christian Academy of Indiana.

Craig won the award in boys basketball with a total of 59 points and 17 rebounds in two games.

— Madison junior varsity girls basketball lost 59-14 to Floyd Central on Tuesday at home.

Natty Montgomery had six points for Madison and Emily Laufer and Brelynn Conover scored four each.

Madison, now 0-6 on the season, travels to New

Washington on Tuesday.

— Shawe and Switzerland County split a junior high boys basketball doubleheader on Wednesday.

Shawe won the seventh grade game 49-17. Patrick Kahn had 16 points, Tanner Sims had 11 and Ayden Dempler had 10. The Hilltoppers are now 7-3.

Switzerland County won the eighth grade game 42-35. Luke Demaree led Shawe with 16 points while Clark Nichter scored eight. The Hilltoppers are now 4-6 on the season.

— Shawe Junior High girls basketball beat Crothersville 48-8 on Tuesday.

Brylee Liter had 19 points for the Hilltoppers and Robbie Alderman had 12.

## HANDS

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Freshman Abby Brothers led Cornerstone (0-1) with 21 points and 16 rebounds.

Carroll, now 1-0 on the season, hosts Kentucky Country Day at the Carroll County Middle School on Friday and hosts Beechwood on Tuesday.

**HILLTOPPERS FALL TO MEDORA**

Shawe boys basketball opened the 2024-25 season with a 62-44 loss at home to Medora on Tuesday.

Medora led at every quarter break including 16-10 after the first quarter, 30-17 at the half and 49-28 after three quarters.

Braiden Smith scored 14 points and had 11 rebounds to lead Shawe

while Cavaan Hambrick and Loren Stiver each scored eight points.

Shawe, now 0-1 on the season, travels to Southwestern on Friday for a boys-girls doubleheader and hosts Jac-Cen-Del next Friday, Dec. 13.

**LADY PACERS BEAT MILAN**

Switzerland County knocked off Milan 57-26 in girls basketball Tuesday on the road.

Switzerland, now 2-5 overall and 1-0 Ohio River Valley Conference, hosts Christian Academy of Indiana on Saturday and travels to Franklin County on Tuesday.

**CARROLL BOYS LOSE OPENER**

Carroll County boys basketball fell to Cornerstone Christian 59-52 at home on Tuesday in the Panthers' season opener.

Carroll, now 0-1, travels to Augusta on Friday and heads to Trimble County next Thursday, Dec. 12.

**TRIMBLE FALLS TO LATIN**

Trimble County boys basketball lost 69-58 to Highlands Latin in the Raiders' season opener Tuesday at home.

Trimble, now 0-1, traveled to Ludlow on Thursday and hosts Switzerland County on Saturday. The Raiders host Frankfort Christian on Tuesday.

**LADY RAIDERS OPEN WITH LOSS**

Trimble County's girls basketball lost 69-31 at Lexington Christian in the Raiders' season opener on Tuesday.

Trimble, now 0-1 on the season, hosted Louisville Holy Cross on Thursday and hosts Carroll County on Friday, Dec. 13.

## CFP

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"There's a lot of data points that they apparently take in to make their decisions. But I'm not sure strength of schedule is one of them," Beamer said. "I don't know how you can go play Clemson last week, in the biggest game in the history of the Carolina-Clemson rivalry, win a game over a team that's ranked higher than you and move up one spot. And another team can win a game over a team that's not even going to a bowl game and move up two spots."

The pairings for college football's first 12-team playoff will be set Sunday, the day after the conference title games. The playoffs start Dec. 20, with the title game set for Jan. 20 in Atlanta. And for many, Alabama — and the Southeastern Conference, which is in line for four of the 12 spots — being looked at more favorably than teams that would say they have better resumes is not a surprise.

"It came down to a difference in their body of work as we evaluated Alabama and Miami, not just wins, not just losses but the totality of the season and how those teams performed," Manuel said.

The Hurricanes would love to know what the precise differences in "totality of the season" are.

Miami is ranked ahead of Alabama in both total offense (the Hurricanes are No. 1 nationally, the Crimson Tide are No. 40) and total defense (the Hurricanes are No. 24 nationally, the Crimson Tide are No. 31). Manuel said on ESPN that Miami losing two of its last two games was another factor. Those losses were by a combined nine points to teams that finished with winning records, 9-3 Syracuse and 7-5 Georgia Tech. Alabama lost this season to a pair of teams — Oklahoma, 24-3 and Vanderbilt, 40-35 — that both finished the regular season 6-6.

Another point Cristobal made: Alabama struggled at home with South Florida for three quarters before pulling away in the fourth. Miami went to South Florida and won by five touchdowns. And Miami also is puzzled why it dropped six spots in the CFP ranking after losing by four points at Syracuse while Ohio State fell only four spots after losing by three points at home to Michigan, where Manuel is the athletic director.



# No. 9 Hoosiers send message to playoff committee

**BY MICHAEL MAROT**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — When coach Curt Cignetti first glanced at Indiana's 2024 schedule, he projected a 10-win season — even before taking job.

Turns out, Cignetti one-upped himself.

In a historic first year with the Hoosiers, Cignetti changed everything from the faces inside the locker room to the perceptions of the FBS' losingest program, putting the Hoosiers on the cusp of something that once seemed unthinkable — a playoff berth.

As championship week begins, Indiana is relegated to sitting, waiting and hoping the selection committee agrees that the Hoosiers have earned their playoff stripes.

"We certainly made a statement again," Cignetti said after Saturday's 66-0 blowout over rival Purdue for a school record 11th win. "I can't say enough about what this team has done between the white lines, but they are not satisfied. They are not done yet. They want more. They are going to get more."

Cignetti made his expectations clear even before leaving the field Saturday, telling television viewers he "abso-



Staff photo by Rodney Lopez

**Indiana's Elijah Sarratt (13) points to the Memorial Stadium crowd in celebration after scoring a touchdown on Nov. 9 against Michigan.**

lutely" believes No. 9 Indiana (11-1, 8-1 Big Ten, No. 10 CFP) deserves a spot in the first 12-team playoff.

The Hoosiers will have a much clearer assessment late Tuesday when the committee's second-to-last rankings are revealed. Another weekend of surprising losses could help their case and If that happens again next weekend, Indiana could host a first-round home game.

While the doubters contend Indiana played a soft sched-

ule and lost 38-15 at then-No. 2 Ohio State in its only game against a ranked foe, the rest of this season's resume is impressive.

The Hoosiers finished tied for second in league play, behind No. 1 Oregon. They were one of the FBS' last three unbeaten teams, 10 wins came by at least 14 points and Indiana logged the largest victory in school history, 77-3 over Western Illinois, and two of the school's three most lopsided Big Ten wins (Purdue and 56-7 over Nebraska).

Indiana also broke single season program records for wins, conference wins and total TDs (69) while tying school records for 30-point victory margins (five) and TD runs (37).

It's a far cry from the roster and low expectations Cignetti inherited last December. He quickly changed his team's mentality by bringing in 54 new players, 30 through the transfer portal, and almost an entirely new staff. It's a blueprint that worked even with NIL money and the transfer portal dominating the college landscape.

"Early on in spring ball, I knew we had a special team," starting center Mike Katic said. "But it wasn't until we went to

the Rose Bowl and took care of business at UCLA when I realized we have a really, really special team."

Katic was one of the hold-overs who watched Indiana's trajectory sink during coach Tom Allen's final three seasons — nine total wins and a 3-24 mark against Big Ten teams.

That's why Indiana, even with its presumably manageable schedule, was the preseason pick to finish 17th in the expanded 18-team Big Ten. Cignetti took the stage at the league's media day and said he'd played for league titles the two other times his team was picked to finish second-to-last.

Some wrote off Cignetti's brash words as hyperbole. But he knew the Hoosiers had a built-in advantage.

With 13 experienced players and six assistant coaches, including the offensive and defensive coordinators, following him from the James Madison team that produced the most successful two-year transition from FCS to FBS ever, they had a cohesiveness other schools were still searching for in the world of NIL money and the transfer portal.

"We have confidence in each other, knowing the guy next to you will do his job as long as you do yours," said receiver

Ke'Shawn Williams, a transfer from Wake Forest. "We are an experienced group. We've got a lot of older guys in the room. All of us on offense who have played a lot of games, a lot of big moment games, we know what we're capable of."

Indiana didn't trail in a game until Nov. 2, when Michigan State scored the first 10 points. The Hoosiers responded with 47 unanswered points to win the Old Brass Spittoon.

They also trailed the next week, for 3 minutes, 46 seconds, before beating defending national champion Michigan 20-15 — the same Michigan team that just knocked Ohio State out of the conference championship game. It was Indiana's second win over the Wolverines since 1987.

And now after winning one more game than Cignetti projected, he has the Hoosiers preparing for whatever comes next.

"My wife will tell you the night I accepted the job, we were laying in bed, and I said, 'Look at this schedule, there's 10 wins on this schedule,' " Cignetti said. "(Athletic director) Scott (Dolson) called 10 minutes later and told me I was the next head coach at Indiana. I said 'OK" and he said, 'We're going to shock the world.' "

## New college football landscape presents ripples in coaching searches

**BY MICHAEL MAROT**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Purdue athletic director Mike Bobinski spent weeks creating a list of coaching candidates and perfecting his pitch to the finalists. He is also talking about increasing NIL and coaching budgets while monitoring negotiations to keep players from leaving.

The 67-year-old is embarking on a coaching search unlike any he has done previously. Bobinski said he understands this is college football in 2024, and if Purdue is going to turn things around next season and stay competitive long term, he must adapt to the swiftly changing landscape.

Speedy decisions are essential, money talks and investment plans rule the day.

"Our folks didn't necessarily respond warmly to the way NIL evolved in the recent past, but that's going to change," Bobinski said Monday, one day after firing second-year coach Ryan Walters. "You need a coach who understands that and embraces that the new world is going to require a new way of thinking. And you can't dislike the way things have evolved because they have evolved. So you've got to be able to find a way to thrive in that (world)."

The environment rarely rewards decision makers for finding a perfect coach. Instead, bidding time can prove more costly than the roughly \$9.5 million buyout Walters received.

Players can transfer on a whim, either for a coach or team they feel is a better fit or for higher name, image and likeness compensation. A lot of that money comes from boosters or sponsors who expect sustained success.

**DECISIONS NEEDED IN A HURRY**

Purdue, like other schools, acted quickly following the most lopsided loss in school history, 66-0 at then No. 10 Indiana, on Saturday. Walters was fired the next day leaving the Boilermakers with a gaping hole to navigate during the early signing period that opens Wednesday and the transfer portal that opens Monday.

**THE COMPRESSED SCHEDULE HAS EVERYONE SCRAMBLING.**

Penn State coach James Franklin said Sunday he will be more involved with this week's signings than his assistants who are installing the plan for Saturday's Big Ten championship game between the third-ranked Nittany Lions and No. 1 Oregon. Both teams are likely to make the 12-team College Football Playoff.

For schools making coaching changes, the longer a vacancy the higher the risk of losing players, recruits and possible replacements for those who do transfer.

It explains why Florida Atlantic hired Zach Kittley from Texas Tech on Monday

or Temple plucked K.C. Keeler from Sam Houston State on Tuesday. It also explains why Bobinski and North Carolina athletic director Bubba Cunningham hope to hire new coaches next week, though Cunningham recently noted his top candidates are all with teams still playing.

"It's a great time for me to get out. This isn't the game that I signed up for. It has changed so much," said Mack Brown, who was fired last week despite being the winningest coach in Tar Heels history. "We were recruiting really, really well until the NIL came in. And we've really dropped off with our recruiting. The transfer portal is not something most of the academic schools are excited about because it's hard to get in. So right now I think it's a wonderful time for somebody else to come in and take over."

**IMMEDIATE GRATIFICATION**

Donors, of course, want to put a face with a program before shelling out the big bucks.

Indiana has gone from a three-win team in 2023 to a playoff contender under first-year coach Curt Cignetti, a potential model for how to thrive in the transfer portal era. The Hoosiers invested more money in the program to convince Cignetti to take the job.

With athlete revenue-sharing looming for schools, athletic directors are talking publicly and somewhat

urgently to alumni and boosters about their need for enough money to keep football teams competitive. This is not familiar turf for some schools, as Brown alluded to.

"The last 2 1/2 to three years really, with the NIL world, the way it evolved were very different," Bobinski said. "And, honestly, that world did not advantage Purdue. That was a challenge for us for a variety of reasons."

College football teams are increasingly using other coaches or administrators to

help head coaches manage rosters and monitor potential transfers — something more akin to serving as an NFL personnel director. Over the weekend, Stanford said former star Andrew Luck will be the school's first football general manager.


**COULD THAT BECOME THE NORM? PERHAPS.**

For now, the focus for Cunningham and Bobinski is finding a new coach. Only four Power Four jobs are currently open — North Carolina, UCF, West Virginia

and Purdue. And as Bobinski begins this next search, his message to the candidates is simple.

"This is a good job. That doesn't mean it's an easy job. Those are two different things, but it is a very good job," Bobinski said. "It will be very well resourced. We will participate fully in revenue sharing. That's a commitment Purdue has made. We're talking about being very much on a level playing field (financially) with the people they're competing against."

## Emerging Trends in Retirement Income Planning



### Layin' it on the line

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The landscape of retirement income planning is undergoing significant transformation, reflecting shifts in market dynamics, client expectations, and the advent of new financial products. As we delve into the current trends, financial advisors must adapt to these changes to provide exceptional value and guidance to their clients.

- The Shift to Holistic Planning Over Product Sales:**  
The role of financial advisors is rapidly evolving from focusing on product sales to a more holistic approach to planning. This paradigm shift necessitates a broader understanding of various financial elements, including investment products, Social Security, inheritances, market volatility, and taxes. Advisors are now expected to integrate these diverse aspects to comprehensively address the complex retirement needs of their clients.
- Re-evaluating Traditional Investment Strategies:**  
2023 has challenged the traditional 60/40 investment strategy, particularly in the narrow equity market performance. This scenario has prompted a reevaluation of investment strategies, especially for conservative
- Impact of Interest Rates on Annuities:**  
The rising interest rates have influenced fixed annuities' popularity and strategic considerations. Advisors are now reassessing the appeal and timing of these products in response to changing interest rate environments.
- Diversification and Evolution of Annuity Products:**  
The annuity market is witnessing

investors affected by underperforming fixed income amidst inflation concerns and Federal Reserve policy changes.

**3. Incorporating Longevity into Financial Planning:**  
Modern financial planning is accounting for increased life expectancies, extending projections and plans well into clients' 100s. This new approach responds to the growing longevity challenge, particularly among wealthier individuals, requiring in-depth planning and discussions about longevity risks.

**4. Personalized Risk Assessment for Retirement Planning:**  
Retirement planning is becoming increasingly personalized, with advisors recognizing individuals' unique financial risks and spending patterns. This trend involves considering how these variables affect the utilization and sustainability of retirement portfolios.

**5. Utilization of Advanced Income Metrics:**  
Financial planners are employing sophisticated metrics, such as the consumption to financial capital ratio, to assess the adequacy and sustainability of clients' retirement funds. These metrics provide a clearer picture of clients' financial situations, aiding in developing more effective retirement strategies.

**6. Emphasis on Tax Efficiency in Income Planning:**  
Effective retirement strategies now prioritize tax efficiency, optimizing income sources to mitigate unnecessary tax burdens and surcharges. This approach is crucial in maximizing the value of retirement funds for clients.

**7. Impact of Interest Rates on Annuities:**  
The rising interest rates have influenced fixed annuities' popularity and strategic considerations. Advisors are now reassessing the appeal and timing of these products in response to changing interest rate environments.

**8. Diversification and Evolution of Annuity Products:**  
The annuity market is witnessing

a diversification and evolution of products, offering a blend of features from fixed and variable annuities. This includes the increasing popularity of fixed-indexed annuities and the addition of living benefits, significantly altering the retirement planning landscape.

As you navigate the complexities of these emerging trends in retirement income planning, it's essential to have expert guidance. Contact a trusted financial advisor today to discuss how these trends may impact your retirement strategy. An advisor can provide personalized advice and solutions tailored to your unique financial situation, ensuring a secure and comfortable retirement. Don't wait - start planning your future with confidence now.

- The transition from product sales to holistic retirement planning.
- Challenges to traditional 60/40 investment strategies.
- Incorporating increased life expectancies into financial plans.
- Customized risk assessment for individual retirement planning.
- Advanced income metrics for better financial visibility.
- Tax efficiency is a crucial component in income planning.
- The influence of interest rates on annuity strategies.
- Evolution and diversification in annuity products.

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## Ball State hires Uremovich football coach for early signing period

MUNCIE — Ball State hired Mike Uremovich as its football coach, athletic director Jeff Mitchell announced Wednesday.

Uremovich is the former head coach at nearby Butler, where he led the Bulldogs to three straight winning seasons and their first FCS national ranking.

He replaces Mike Neu, who was fired 10 games into his ninth season at his alma mater.

"We are elated about the opportunity to help shape this organization and engage with the Muncie community," Uremovich said in a statement released by the athletic department. "I look forward to meeting with the team, and I can't wait to get to work."

He'll have to get moving fast.

The announcement

came on the same day college football's early signing period opened, and he'll have just a few days to convince Ball State players to continue playing for the Cardinals because the transfer portal opens Monday.

But Uremovich brings a wealth of experience to the job.

He took the Butler job in 2021 and made an immediate impact, leading the Bulldogs to their most successful three seasons since a run from 1987-89. He went 23-11 during his tenure, including 9-3 in 2024 when the Bulldogs were ranked as high as No. 23.

"He has spent time in Group of 5 and Power 4 conference environments," Mitchell said. "He has an extensive background in both coordinator and head coaching roles, and his recruiting connections

are deep. What is readily apparent and what will excite our fans and players is the level of urgency and detail in his plan to lead our football program and return the Cardinals to the top of the Mid-American Conference."

The 48-year-old Uremovich was Temple's offensive coordinator from 2019-21, a span that included a Military Bowl bid in 2019. He had three stints at Northern Illinois, most recently from 2016-18, and won MAC championships in each of his last two tenures with the Huskies.

He also was the offensive line coach at N.C. State from 2013-15 and spent seven seasons as head coach at St. Francis in Illinois, going 33-45, including a 17-7 mark over his final two seasons at the NAIA school.



# No. 23 Ole Miss beats Cards 86-63 in SEC/ACC Challenge

BY GARY B. GRAVES  
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LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Dre Davis scored 20 points, Sean Pedulla added 16 and No. 23 Mississippi shot 63% in the second half to beat short-handed Louisville 86-63 on Tuesday night in the SEC/ACC Challenge.

Hot shooting jump-started the Rebels (7-1) in both halves, especially during a second-half spurt in which they made seven consecutive baskets over 2:52. That built a 58-41 cushion that Ole Miss later expanded to 27 as it bounced back from its loss last week to No. 12 Purdue.

Davis, who played his first two seasons for Louisville, finished 9 of 12 from the field and scored 13 first-half points. Pedulla made 6 of 11 from the field, including a 3 for the Rebels' first basket.

Chucky Hepburn scored 19 points for the Cardinals (5-3), who have lost forward Kasean Pryor (torn ACL) and guard Koren Johnson (shoulder) to season-ending injuries. Louisville missed its first

12 3-pointers and shot just 33%.

### TAKEAWAYS

Ole Miss: The Rebels shot 57%, including 40% from deep, and outscored the Cardinals 48-26 in the paint.

Louisville: The Cardinals got to the free-low line often enough to get within single digits late in the first half. They couldn't match Ole Miss' speed, size or shooting after that.

### KEY MOMENT

Louisville was about to enter the half down 38-31 before Terrance Edwards Jr. was called for fouling Pedulla as the horn sounded. Pedulla made both free throws for a nine-point edge.

### KEY STAT

Ole Miss started the game shooting 8 of 11 and then went 8 of 10 to start the second half.

### UP NEXT

Louisville hosts No. 9 Duke on Sunday night to open Atlantic Coast Conference play (TV: Live on ESPN & ACCN at 6 p.m.).

## League upholds suspension for Houston LB Al-Shaair

NEW YORK — The NFL and the NFL players association upheld a three-game suspension without pay for Houston linebacker Azeez Al-Shaair's for repeated violations of player safety rules following his violent hit to the head of Jacksonville's Trevor Lawrence, who sustained a concussion and is now on injured reserve.

Hearing officer Ramon Foster, jointly appointed by the league and the players' union, ruled Wednesday.

Al-Shaair's punishment was announced Tuesday by NFL vice president of football operations Jon Runyan. In his letter to Al-Shaair, Runyan noted that he has had multiple offenses for personal fouls and sportsmanship-related rules violations in recent seasons.

His most egregious one came in a 23-20 win at Jacksonville on Sunday.

Back in the starting lineup after missing two games with a sprained left shoulder, Lawrence was scrambling in the second quarter and started to slide. But Al-Shaair raised his forearm and unleashed on the defenseless quarterback.

In his letter to Al-Shaair, Runyan called the hit "unacceptable and a serious violation of the playing rules."

"Video shows you striking the head/neck area of Jaguars quarterback Trevor Lawrence after he clearly goes down in a feet-first slide," Runyan wrote. "You led with your forearm and helmet and delivered a forceful blow to the head/neck area of your opponent when you had time and space to avoid such contact."

Houston general manager Nick Caserio defended Al-Shaair and said he doesn't believe the league is using consistency in issuing punishments such as these.

"I probably speak for a lot of teams, not only the Houston Texans, but I think that's all teams ask for is consistency from the league," he said. "And I'd say in this situation, quite frankly, there's no consistency at all relative to the level of discipline that's been handed down."

Al-Shaair won't be eligible to return to Houston's active roster until after the team's Christmas Day game against Baltimore. Al-Shaair has a base salary of \$1.5 million this sea-

son, meaning it will cost him about \$265,000 to miss three games.

Lawrence clenched both fists after the hit — movements consistent with what's referred to as the "fencing response," which can be common after a traumatic brain injury. He was on the ground for several minutes as teammates came to his defense and mobbed Al-Shaair in what escalated into a brawl.

As Al-Shaair was leaving the field after being ejected, fans started screaming at him. Jaguars veteran guard Brandon Scherff joined in, prompting another altercation with Al-Shaair. Texans teammate Will Anderson grabbed Al-Shaair and was escorting him off the field when a fan threw a water bottle and hit Anderson in the helmet. The fan was later ejected.

Runyan also outlined Al-Shaair's behavior after the hit in announcing the suspension.

"After the illegal hit, you proceeded to engage in a brawl, which you escalated when you pulled an opponent down to the ground by his facemask," he wrote. "After the referee announced that you were disqualified for the hit and your unsportsmanlike acts, you removed your helmet and re-engaged with your opponent while walking down and across the field, which started another physical confrontation near the end zone."

This is the third time this season Al-Shaair has been punished by the league. Last week, he was flagged and later fined \$11,255 for a late hit out of bounds on Titans running back Tony Pollard.

He was fined earlier this year after he punched Bears running back Roschon Johnson on the sideline in Week 2. That occurred during a scuffle that started after his hard shot on quarterback Caleb Williams near the sideline wasn't flagged.

"Your lack of sportsmanship and respect for the game of football and all those who play, coach, and enjoy watching it, is troubling and does not reflect the core values of the NFL," Runyan told Al-Shaair in the letter. "Your continued disregard for NFL playing rules puts the health and safety of both you and your opponents in jeopardy and will not be tolerated."

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3 WAVE	6	2	WAV..	NBCN..	Chefs	Song	The Wall		Dateline NBC		SNL		WAV..	
4 WTTV	4		Kickoff (N)		Football (N)		Football Big Ten Championship: Penn State vs. Oregon (N)							
5 WLWT	2		News (N)		NBCN..	Urban	The Wall		Dateline NBC		SNL		News	
8 WISH	12		(3:00) TBA		TBA		* A California Christmas (P)				News (N)		News	
9 WCPO	23		(4:00) Football		Football (N)		Football ACC Championship: Clemson vs. SMU (N) (Live)							
11 WHAS	11	4	(4:00) Football		Football (N)		Football ACC Championship: Clemson vs. SMU (N) (Live)							
15 WKPC	13		Viewers' Choice		Viewers' Choice		Viewers' Choice		Viewers' Choice		Viewers' Choice		Choice	
19 WXIX	10		(4:00) M..		Tip-Off		Basketball Tennessee vs. Iowa (N)		Women's College Basketball				Floor	
32 WLKY	5	5	Kickoff (N)		TBA		Jeopar..		Football Big Ten Championship: Penn State vs. Oregon (N)					
34 WBKI	7	7	(4:30) To Be Announced				* A California Christmas (P)				TBA		TBA	
41 WDRB	8	9	(4:00) M..		Tip-Off		Basketball Tennessee vs. Iowa (N)		Women's College Basketball				Floor	
A&E	28	36	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	
AMC	29	26	* Planes, Trains & Automobiles				* National Lampoon's Christmas ...				* National Lampoon's C...			
COM	45	59	Office	Office	Office	Office	***** Crazy Rich Asians ('18) (P)					* Crazy Rich A...		
DISC	31	38	Expedition		Expedition		Expedition		Expedition		Expedition		Expedi..	
DISN	25	29	Bluey	Bluey	Bluey	Mickey	Big City	ZOM..	Mickey	Ladyb..	Ladyb..	Phineas	Big City	
ESPN	32	44	(4:00) Football		Scoreb..		College Football							Boxing
FREE	18	40	(5:55) * Home Alone 2: Lost in New York				Frosty		(:10) Rudolph		* Dr. Seuss' How the Gri...			
FX	40	28	(5:00) * Shang-Chi & the Legend of...				UFC 310 - Prelims (N) (Live)				***** Thor: Ragnarok			
HBO	201	17	(:10) ***** Beetlejuice		Beetlejuice		To Be Announced			(:45) Dune		* Super/ Man: ...		
MAX	270	73	(:15) The Knick		(:10) The Knick		***** Eye in the Sky			* White Bird in a Blizzard			Movie	
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PARMT	35	41	(4:30) * John Wi...		***** John Wick: Chapter 3 -- Parabellum ('19)					(:05) * Ocean's Eleven				
PARSHO	221	16	Movie		(:50) ***** Good Will Hunting ('97)					The Agency		Movie		
TMC	233	74	Movie		(:25) * Planes, Trains & A...		***** Scrooged ('88)			(:45) ***** Major League ('89) (P)				
TNT	27	43	(3:45) * Lord of the Rings: Return ...				All Elite Wrestling: Collision				* Avengers: Infinity War			
USA	26	33	Chicago "Fight"		Chicago P.D.		Chicago P.D.		Chicago P.D.		Chicago P.D.		Chicago	

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3 WAVE	6	2	WAV..	NBCN..	Football (N)		(:15) Football Los Angeles Chargers at Kansas City Chiefs (N)						
4 WTTV	4		(4:00) Football	60 Minutes (N)			Equalizer (N)		Tracker		Neighb..		CBS4..
5 WLWT	2		News	NBCN..	Football (N)		(:15) Football Los Angeles Chargers at Kansas City Chiefs (N)						
8 WISH	12		News	Inside..	*** Dr. Seuss' The Grinch (P)		Connors	Connors	News	Sports	News		
9 WCPO	23		News	World..	Videos (N)		Videos	*** The Lion King ('19) Donald Glover.		News			
11 WHAS	11	4	World..	News	Videos (N)		Videos	*** The Lion King ('19) Donald Glover.		News			
15 WKPC	13		(2:30) C..	Viewers' Choice			Lucy Wors (N) (P)		Viewers' Choice				
19 WXIX	10		(4:25) NFL Football		The OT		Univer..	Simpso..	Burgers	Krapo..	FOX19 (N)		FOX19
32 WLKY	5	5	WLK..	CBS-N..	60 Minutes (N)			Equalizer (N)		Tracker		Neighb.. News	
34 WBKI	7	7	BigBa..	BigBa..	*** Dr. Seuss' The Grinch (P)		Connors	Connors	The Grand	ModF..			
11 WDRB	8	9	(4:25) NFL Football	The OT			Univer..	Simpso..	Burgers	Krapo..	News (N) (Live)		News
A&E	28	36	The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		(:05) First
AMC	29	26	(:00) * Polar Ex...		***** Elf ('03) Will Ferrell.		***** Elf ('03) Will Ferrell.		***** Elf ('03) Will Ferrell.		Movie		
COM	45	59	(:30) * Night at the Muse...		***** Night at the Museum ('06)					Family..		Family..	Family..
DISC	31	38	Homestead "Hawaii-Five-No" (N)				Homestead "Alligator Aid" (N)				Homestead Rescue		
DISN	25	29	Big City	Big City	Big City		***** Home Alone ('90)		Place	Place	Place	BigCity	
ESPN	32	44	(:00) Basketball		SportCtr (N)		SportC..		Drive Bowl Breakdown (N) (Live)				SportC..
FREE	18	40	(:10) Rudolph		(:15) * Dr. Seuss'		How the Grinch Stole Christmas				* Dashing Through the ...		
FX	40	28	(:30) * Guardians of the Galaxy				The Guardians		***** The Avengers ('12)				
HBO	201	17	(:50) D..		(:45) Dune		(:50) Dune: Prophecy		Dune (N)		Someb..		Someb.. Dune
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PARSHO	221	16	(:40) * Matrix		The Agency			The Agency		The Agency		Lioness	
TMC	233	74	***** Michael Clayton ('07)				***** Hugo ('11)		Ben Kingsley.		(:10) * Finding Neverland		
TNT	27	43	(:15) * Guardians of the Galaxy V...				***** National Treasure ('04) (P)					* National Tre...	
USA	26	33	Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU "Diss" Law-S..		







# Draw for FIFA’s revamped Club World Cup coming

BY GRAHAM DUNBAR  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GENEVA — Soccer’s biggest ever global club tournament is coming to the United States next year and the 32-team group stage was to be drawn Thursday.

European powers Real Madrid and Manchester City, Lionel Messi’s Inter Miami, recently crowned South American champion Botafogo and top clubs from Asia, Africa and Oceania are among the teams who are in the draw for FIFA’s revamped Club World Cup.

The tournament, which used to be played annually in December, will take place in 11 U.S. cities from June 15 to July 13 in an expanded format with 32 teams instead of the previous seven. Going forward the Club World Cup will be played every four years — just like the World Cup for national teams, which will be co-hosted by the U.S., Mexico and Canada in 2026.

Here’s what to know about the Club World Cup draw, which was scheduled for 1 p.m. on Thursday in Miami.

## WHAT IS THE CLUB WORLD CUP?

FIFA and its presidents have long coveted a prime piece of club soccer content. The 2025 Club World Cup is FIFA’s most ambitious project, creating a month-long tournament in a mid-June to mid-July slot historically used by the men’s World Cup, which draws the biggest audiences in global sports.

The new club competition uses the traditional 32-team format used by the World Cup from 1998 to 2022. Eight round-robin groups of four teams each, and the top two advance to a knockout bracket of 16.

In allocating 32 entries, FIFA tried to balance getting the best and most watchable teams with giving all the world a chance to compete and develop.

Europe got 12 places, South America six, while Africa, Asia and North America got four each. One place went to Oceania and one to the host nation that should change for each edition.

Teams qualified by winning their continental championship from 2021 through 2024, or ranking highly with consistent results across those four seasons. Countries are capped at two entries unless more won titles. Brazil will send four different Copa Libertadores winners and Mexico three champions of the CONCACAF region. The other North American champion was Seattle Sounders.

## WHO WILL PLAY?

Storyed and wealthy European names are in:

Real Madrid, Manchester City, Bayern Munich, Inter Milan and Paris Saint-Germain. The current leaders of most of Europe’s strongest leagues miss out: Liverpool, Barcelona, Napoli and Sporting Lisbon.

Salzburg earned the last European entry last season based on FIFA’s ranking system though it can hardly be considered among Europe’s top clubs: it’s currently 32nd in the new 36-team Champions League standings.

Argentina’s big two clubs, River Plate and Boca Juniors, are in. The Brazilian and Mexican entries include, respectively, Fluminense and Pachuca, both currently 16th in their national league standings.

Africa’s entries include Al Ahly of Egypt — three times champion of Africa in the last four years — and Mamelodi Sundowns of South Africa, which is owned by FIFA vice president Patrice Motsepe.

Saudi Arabia sends Al-Hilal, the 2021 champion of Asia, which won the domestic league last season despite losing Neymar to a long-term injury.

If they stay fit, the tournament will feature a new generation of stars such as Real Madrid’s Kylian Mbappé, Vinícius Júnior and Jude Bellingham, Manchester City’s Erling Haaland and Bayern Munich’s Jamal Musiala.

Lionel Messi’s Inter Miami will be there, with a FIFA thumb on the scales in October to give the team the host nation’s entry. Two other stars from Messi’s generation will miss out: Cristiano Ronaldo’s Saudi Arabian club Al Nassr and Barcelona with Robert Lewandowski failed to qualify through their continental Champions League competitions.

## WHY IS INTER MIAMI PLAYING?

The previous version of the Club World Cup kept an entry for the host nation’s champion. But this time FFFA did not wait for the MLS Cup title game on Saturday, when LA Galaxy hosts New York Red Bulls. Neither will be in the draw Thursday.

Instead, Inter Miami, with the star power of Lionel Messi on the field and co-owner David Beckham, was given the Club World Cup place in October based on regular-season standings. It will play three group-stage games in Florida, including opening the tournament at the Hard Rock Stadium.

## WHAT ARE THEY PLAYING FOR?

Money and a trophy. Which is more prized by club owners is a debate to be had.

FIFA president Gianni Infantino has promised hundreds of millions of

dollars in prize money, with reported guarantees of \$50 million to top European teams, though it is currently unclear where from.

FIFA signed a global broadcasting deal Wednesday with streaming service DAZN to make all 63 games available for free. The value of the deal was not disclosed, and it allows the streaming service to sell on rights to public broadcasters.

DAZN has close ties with Saudi Arabia, which promotes and stages top-level boxing title fights. Saudi financial backing for the Club World Cup is expected after the kingdom is confirmed next week as the 2034 World Cup host.

The new gold trophy has been fashioned by Tiffany and has Infantino’s name engraved on it twice. Plus his signature.

## WHAT IS THE TOURNAMENT’S HISTORY?

Traditionally, the champions of Europe and South America played for the Intercontinental Cup. From

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## LEGAL NOTICE

The Jefferson County Public Library Board of Trustees will meet at 4:00 P.M. on Thursday, December 12, 2024 at 420 West Main Street, Madison, Indiana. The first item on the agenda will be a public hearing for the Internet and Computer Use Policy. hspaxlp

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## LEGAL NOTICE

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Southwestern Jefferson County Consolidated School Corporation**  
**Notice of Proposed Additional Appropriations**  
Notice is hereby given that the Southwestern Jefferson County Consolidated School Corporation Board of School Trustees will hold a public hearing on Monday, December 16, 2024 at 5:00 PM EST in the Board Room located at 273 Main Cross Street, Hanover, IN, to consider an additional appropriation of \$500,000.00 for fiscal year 2024. The proposed additional appropriation is necessary to fund the remaining operational expenses of 2024. These excess operation expenses have resulted from increased utility costs, unexpected expenses related to major renovation projects, and rising costs of employee salaries, benefits, or pensions. All interested taxpayers are invited to attend the public hearing and express their views on the proposed additional appropriation. Laura Bolderly Chief Financial Officer Southwestern Jefferson County Consolidated School Corporation 239 South Main Cross Street Hanover, Indiana 47243 812-866-6250 www.swjcs.us hspaxlp

1980 to 2004 the game was played in Japan and usually in December.

FIFA launched a Club World Championship in 2000, played in January by eight teams in Brazil. It was not held again for nearly six years.

From 2005 through last year, the annual FIFA Club World Cup was played each December, settling on a seven-team knockout format: the six reigning continental champions and the host nation’s domestic champion. Hosts rotated between Japan, Abu Dhabi, Morocco, Qatar and, for its final edition last December, Saudi Arabia.

This annual event was unloved in Europe. The UEFA Champions League

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## LEGAL NOTICE

**STATE OF INDIANA IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY COUNTY OF JEFFERSON ESTATE DOCKET 39C01-2411-EU-000074**  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF JOHN L. FENNIG, DECEASED.**  
DEVON M. SHARPE, Jenner, Pattison & Sharpe, 307 Jefferson Street, Madison, IN 47250; (812) 265-5132  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, INDIANA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN L. FENNIG, DECEASED. Notice is hereby given that Burl Fennig was, on the 14th day of November, 2024, appointed personal representative of the estate of John L. Fennig, deceased, who died on the 11th day of September, 2024. All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent’s death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Madison, Indiana, this 15th day of November, 2024  
*/s/ Tabatha Eblen*  
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, IN  
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## LEGAL NOTICE

**Historic District Board of Review Legal Notice**  
**MEETING DATE:** December 16, 2024, at 5:30 PM  
**MEETING PLACE:** Madison City Hall, 101 W. Main Street Madison, IN 47250  
A. Roll Call  
B. Approval of Minutes  
C. Review of Applications  
• Hanging Rock Properties – C. of A. to add transom to front door and to demolish and rebuild rear addition.  
Location: 1122 W. Second St. Zoned: R-8 Residential Medium Density (R-8)  
• Ryan Leach  
Location: 1023 E. Vaughn Dr. Zoned: Open Space (OS)  
• Claude and Wanda Rottet – C. of A. to build a two car garage.  
Location: 826 Fillmore St. Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)  
D. New/Old Business  
E. Staff Report  
F. Adjournment  
G. Next Meeting: Monday, November 25, 2024, at 5:30 PM  
**For the purpose of hearing those who are for or against said applications, a public hearing will be held on Monday, December 16, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall, 101 W. Main Street, Madison, IN 47250.**  
This agenda is in DRAFT FORM. Open Door Law does not prohibit the public agency from changing or adding to its agenda during the meeting. City of Madison acknowledges its responsibility to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. In order to assist individuals with disabilities who require special services (i.e. sign interpretative services, alternative audio/visual devices, etc.) for participation in or access to County sponsored public programs, services and/or meetings, the City requests that individuals make requests for these services forty-eight (48) hours ahead of the scheduled program, service and/or meeting. To make arrangements, contact ADA Coordinator at 812-265-8300.  
BY ORDER OF THE HISTORIC DISTRICT BOARD OF REVIEW  
Brenna Haley, Historic Preservationist hspaxlp

winner typically arrived for two games in four days and took home the trophy. Chelsea in 2012 was the only European team to lose in the past 17 years.

When first elected in 2016, Infantino spoke of FIFA’s need for a bigger, more attractive and lucrative club event.

In his previous job as UEFA general secretary, he helped organize the Champions League, in peak years of Messi winning the title at Barcelona and Ronaldo with Manchester United and then Real Madrid.

First, Infantino had a secretive \$25 billion deal for new tournaments including a 24-team Club

World Cup worth \$3 billion every four years from 2021. That was blocked by European soccer officials.

Agreement was reached to play an inaugural 24-team tournament in June 2021 in China. Europe was to send just six teams.

No broadcast or sponsor deals had been announced by early 2020 when the tournament was scrapped because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The June 2021 slot was needed for the postponed Euro 2020 and Copa America.


After the failed Super League project in April 2021 rocked European soccer, FIFA found agreement for a 32-team Club World Cup.

# MADISON COURIER

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# LEGAL NOTICE


**NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of the City of Madison, Indiana that the proper legal officers of the City Council and Mayor will meet at City Hall located at 101 W Main St., Madison, IN at 5:30pm on December 17, 2024 to consider the following revenue and expenditures for the current year:

Fund Name	Fund #	Amount
General Fund	1101	\$424,506.49
MVH Unrestricted	2201	\$ 9,740.44
MVH Restricted	2203	\$400,000.00
Parks General	2204	\$39,941.64
Aviation General	2206	\$924.23
County Tax	2209	\$67,911.79
Park NRO	2211	\$8,781.79
LIT Public Safety	2240	\$27,830.00
PPD NRO	2502	\$613.71
Police Pension	8002	\$81,689.54
Total		\$1,061,939.63

Taxpayers appearing at the meeting shall have a right to be heard. The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the Department of Local Government Finance.

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# LEGAL NOTICE

**TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE MATTER OF THE STUCKER FORK CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**

JOHN L SOMMERVILLE  
JAMES T ST CLAIR  
HUBERT CRAIG  
ET AL EX PARTE  
IN THE MATTER OF THE STUCKER FORK CONSERVANCY DISTRICT  
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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE DISTRICT AND CANCELLATION OF ELECTION OF TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SAID DISTRICT TO REPRESENT AREA TWO (2) AND AREA FIVE (5) SINCE SOLE NOMINEES ARE UNOPPOSED.**

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, STUCKER FORK CONSERVANCY DISTRICT, OF SCOTT AND JEFFERSON COUNTIES, INDIANA, HEREBY GIVES NOTICE THAT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SAID DISTRICT SHALL BE HELD AT 4:00 P.M. EST, MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2024, AT THE OFFICE OF SAID DISTRICT AT 2260 N US 31, AUSTIN, INDIANA.

ADDITIONALLY THE PURPOSES OF SAID MEETING TO BE HELD AS SET OUT ABOVE AND PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED AS PROVIDED BY LAW:  
**(A) NAMELY THE ELECTION OF ONE (1) MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF**  
DIRECTORS OF SAID DISTRICT TO REPRESENT AREA TWO (2) AS PREVIOUSLY ORDERED BY THE SCOTT CIRCUIT COURT – TO BE ELECTED FOR A TERM OF FOUR (4) YEARS BEGINNING ON DECEMBER 16,2024. LYNN ELLIOTT BEING THE ONLY PERSON NOMINATED PURSUANT TO LAW FOR SAID OFFICE OF DIRECTOR TO BE VOTED ON AT SAID MEETING.

SAID NOMINEE HAVING FILED PRIOR TO THE STATUTORY DEADLINE OF SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2024 AND THEREFORE AS PROVIDED BY LAW THE SAID LYNN ELLIOTT IS DETERMINED TO BE ELECTED AS PROVIDED BY I.C. 14-33-5-11.5 AS ADDED BY P.L. 16-2010, SECTION 2 ENACTED BY THE INDIANA GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

THEREFORE NO ELECTION SHALL BE HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER, 16, 2024.

**(B) NAMELY THE ELECTION OF ONE (1) MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF**  
DIRECTORS OF SAID DISTRICT TO REPRESENT AREA FIVE (5) AS PREVIOUSLY ORDERED BY THE SCOTT CIRCUIT COURT – TO BE ELECTED FOR A TERM OF FOUR (4) YEARS BEGINNING ON DECEMBER 16, 2024. AARON BRESSLER BEING THE ONLY PERSON NOMINATED PURSUANT TO LAW FOR SAID OFFICE OF DIRECTOR TO BE VOTED ON AT SAID MEETING.

SAID NOMINEE HAVING FILED PRIOR TO THE STATUTORY DEADLINE OF SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2024 AND THEREFORE AS PROVIDED BY LAW THE SAID AARON BRESSLER IS DETERMINED TO BE ELECTED AS PROVIDED BY I.C. 14-33-5-11.5 AS ADDED BY P.L. 16-2010, SECTION 2 ENACTED BY THE INDIANA GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

THEREFORE NO ELECTION SHALL BE HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER, 16, 2024.

**(C) THE ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SAID DISTRICT TO INCLUDE THE ELCTION OF THE OFFICERS OF SAID BOARD, THE SAME BEING A CHAIRMAN, VICE CHAIRMAN, AND SECRETARY TO SERVICE FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR UNTIL THE 2025 ANNUAL MEETING THEREOF.**

**(D) TO TRANSACT SUCH OTHER BUSINESS OF THE DISTRICT AS MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD.**

THIS NOTICE GIVEN AS PROVIDED BY LAW MAINLY, AN ACT RELATING TO CONSERVANCY DISTRICTS, THE SAME BEING ACTS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 1957, CHAPTER 308, SECTION 38, AND ALL ACTS AMENDATORY THERETO.

DATED THIS 2ND DAY OF DECEMBER, 2024.

LISA WHEELER FINANCIAL CLERK STUCKER FORK CONSERVANCY DISTRICT	OFFICE LOCATION 2260 N US HWY 31 AUSTIN IN 47102
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# Nets beat Pacers 99-90 to halt 3-game skid

NEW YORK — Cam Johnson scored 26 points, Nic Claxton had 16 and the Brooklyn Nets beat the Indiana Pacers 99-90 on Wednesday night to end a three-game losing streak.

Shake Milton had 15 points off the bench for the Nets.

T.J. McConnell had 14 points for Indiana, and Tyrese Haliburton had 13. The Pacers have lost four in a row and seven of 10.

After Indiana’s Pascal Siakam scored four consecutive points to tie it at 80 with 8:08 left, the Nets responded with a 10-0 run — making it 90-80 on Jaylen Wilson’s basket with 5:57 remaining.

## TAKEAWAYS

**Pacers:** Indiana got off

to a slow start and shot just 13 for 39 from the field and 4 for 18 from long distance in the first half. They turned the ball over 12 times.

**Nets:** Johnson has scored at least 20 points in nine games this season.

## KEY MOMENT

Brooklyn outscored Indiana 19-10 over the last eight minutes.

## KEY STAT

The Pacers did a better job of protecting the ball in the second half and had only four turnovers after having 12 in the first half.

## UP NEXT

Indiana visits Chicago on Friday night.



# USWNT beats Netherlands 2-1 in GK Naeher’s final match

THE HAGUE, Netherlands — Alyssa Naeher ended her national team career with one last win.

The stalwart goalkeeper made two critical saves in her final match for the United States, and the Americans beat the Netherlands 2-1 on Tuesday.

“I definitely wasn’t thinking about it during the game, just wanted to win the game and do what I could to come away with the ‘W’ for us to close out the year,” Naeher said.

Lynn Williams scored the go-ahead goal in the 71st minute for the U.S., which won its fifth Olympic gold medal in France this summer and wrapped up the year on a 20-game unbeaten streak. The Americans were coming off a scoreless draw with England on Saturday at Wembley Stadium.

Naeher announced two weeks ago that the European exhibitions would be her final matches. The 36-year-old goalkeeper played in 115 games for the U.S., with 111 starts, 89 wins and 69 shutouts.

Naeher is the only U.S. keeper with shutouts in both a World Cup and an Olympic final. She was in goal when the United States defeated the Netherlands 2-0 in the 2019 Women’s World Cup final.

“I feel like in my heart I would love to keep going. In my head,

in my body and mind, I feel like it’s the right time. And I think it’s the right time with this team as well as it builds towards the future and towards 2027,” Naeher said. “This environment, this team, is an incredible team to be a part of, but it’s also really hard and really challenging in a lot of ways as well.

“I feel like I’ve given everything I have to give for this team and that’s why I feel at peace with that.”

The Netherlands took the lead on center back Veerle Buurman’s header off a corner kick in the 15th minute. Naeher prevented a second goal when she punched away Dominique Janssen’s shot in the 38th.

The United States drew even at the end of the first half on an own goal that deflected off Buurman and past Dutch goalkeeper Daphne van Domselaar.

Naeher slid to stop Danielle van de Donk’s shot in the 69th minute before Williams, a second-half substitute, scored her fourth goal of the year and 21st of her career.

“I wouldn’t say that this was our prettiest game of soccer ever. And sometimes that’s how games go. You can talk about tactics, you can talk about formations, you talk about everything, but the biggest thing was matching their intensity. Getting to the second ball, getting

to the first ball. That was the shift that needed to happen,” Williams said about the team’s second-half mindset.

Naeher finished with six saves.

She is not quite finished with soccer yet: She will continue playing next season for the Chicago Red Stars of the National Women’s Soccer League.

“She’s been consistent again and again. Even when she’s been questioned at times in her career, she’s always found the answer,” U.S. coach Emma Hayes said. “Not only has she been a great player in this program, but let me tell you, she’s so loved by everyone, players and staff alike. She is the best teammate you could ask for and that just speaks volumes to the person that she is.”

Lily Yohannes came in as a substitute in the second half. Yohannes, who has dual citizenship, opted to play for the United States over the Netherlands last month. She plays professionally for the Dutch club Ajax.

The U.S. finished the year without the trio of Mallory Swanson, Trinity Rodman and Sophia Smith, who were left off the roster for the final two matches to rest and heal nagging injuries.

The U.S. is unbeaten in 15 matches under Hayes, who took over in May.

# ESPN to have dedicated area for content on Disney+

ESPN is continuing its transition into more direct-to-consumer offerings and being more accessible with Wednesday’s launch of Disney+.

The ESPN expansion with its own section onto Disney+ follows the launch of Hulu on Disney+ earlier this year.

Those who subscribe to a bundle package with Disney+, Hulu and ESPN+ will be able to access all their content in one location. Disney+ standalone subscribers will gain access to ESPN+ content — which is mostly college football and basketball — along with some access to premium live events.

ESPN president Jimmy Pitaro said this is just another step toward the network launching its own direct-to-consumer product — called Flagship — in the Fall of 2025.

“We’re hoping can attract the casual sports fan and then once we launch Flagship, try to attract them to that,” Pitaro said in a phone interview with The

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Associated Press. “It will also help us being on Disney+ to get data on viewing experiences.”

Standalone Disney+ subscribers will be able to see some live ESPN events, including five NBA games on Christmas Day and Day 1 of the Australian Open.

The “Monday Night Football” alternate broadcast during Monday night’s Cincinnati Bengals-Dallas Cowboys game featuring The Simpsons, as well as the “Dunk the Halls” NBA alternate broadcast during the San Antonio Spurs-New York Knicks game, were already slated for Disney+.

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# Sharpe, Holmgren named HOF finalists

BY JOSH DUBOW  
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Prolific receiver Sterling Sharpe and Super Bowl-winning coach Mike Holmgren advanced to the final stage of voting for the 2025 Pro Football Hall of Fame class.

Sharpe was picked as one of three finalists in the Seniors category for players whose career ended in 1999 or earlier, along with Maxie Baughan and Jim Tyrer, in voting results announced Tuesday. Holmgren was picked as the lone finalist in the coaching category and Ralph Hay, who helped found the NFL more than a century ago, was the finalist in the contributor category.

The five will be grouped together for voting by the full selection committee in January. Voters can pick three of the candidates, meaning a maximum of three can reach the 80% threshold needed for induction. If no one gets 80% of the vote, then the leading vote-getter will get into the Hall.

The selection committee will vote separately on 15

finalists from the modern era, with the 2025 inductees being announced during Super Bowl week in New Orleans in February.

Sharpe had a short but productive career for the Green Bay Packers from 1988-94. His best season came in 1992, when he became the sixth player to win the receiving triple crown, setting set an NFL record with 108 catches for 1,461 yards and 13 touchdowns.

He broke his own record with 112 catches in 1993 and led the NFL with 18 touchdown receptions in his final season, 1994, before a neck injury cut his career short.

Sharpe was a three-time All-Pro and had 595 catches for 8,134 yards and 65 TDs. He trailed only Jerry Rice over his seven-year career in receptions and TD catches.

Baughan was one of the top linebackers in the game in the 1960s for Philadelphia and the Los Angeles Rams. He helped the Eagles win an NFL title as a rookie in 1960 and made nine Pro Bowls in a 10-year span

with one first-team and five second-team All-Pro selections.

Tyrer was a six-time All-Pro and member of the AFL all-decade team for the 1960s as the left tackle protecting Len Dawson on the Kansas City Chiefs. He won three AFL titles and one Super Bowl with the Chiefs franchise before ending his career with Washington in 1974.

Tyrer was considered a shoo-in for the Hall of Fame at the time of his retirement. Every other nonspecialist who was a six-time All-Pro and is eligible for the Hall has been inducted.

But shortly after he was picked as a finalist for the first time, Tyrer shot his wife in a murder-suicide in September 1980. Tyrer had been dealing with depression and severe headaches that experts now believe might have been CTE, the degenerative brain disease that has been found in many former NFL players who endured repeated blows to their heads in their career. CTE can be diagnosed only posthumously.

Tyrer didn't get voted in that year and wasn't nominated again until this year.

Sharpe and Baughan were never finalists during their time in the modern era category.

Holmgren was one of the most influential offensive coaches, starting with his time as an assistant on two Super Bowl champion teams in San Francisco.

He went on to coach Green Bay for seven seasons, winning a Super Bowl following the 1996 season. He coached 10 years in Seattle and finished with a 161-111 record, going to three Super Bowls overall.

Holmgren also had a big impact on future coaches, with Andy Reid and Jon Gruden going on to win Super Bowls after working under him in Green Bay.

Hay owned the Canton Bulldogs from 1918-22 and hosted the meeting the led to the formation of the NFL. He beat out a group of semifinalists that included six-time Super Bowl champion owner Robert Kraft.

# Russell accuses Verstappen of bullying as F1 feud deepens

ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates — Mercedes driver George Russell has accused Formula 1 champion Max Verstappen of bullying and threatening behavior as a dispute between the two at last week's race in Qatar deepened Thursday.

Verstappen said Sunday he had "lost all respect" for Russell after an incident between them in qualifying cost him pole position on the grid for the Qatar Grand Prix.

"I've known Max for 12 years, I've respected him all of this time but now I've lost respect for him because we're all fighting on track and it's never personal," Russell said in comments broadcast by Sky Sports on Thursday ahead of the season-ending Abu Dhabi Grand Prix on Sunday.

"Now he's made it personal and someone needs to stand up to a bully like this. And so far

people have let him get away with murder."

Russell alleged Verstappen had threatened Saturday to "purposefully crash" into him.

"For me that is unacceptable and he's gone beyond the line here and I'm not going to accept it. So somebody's got to stand up to a guy like this before it gets out of control," Russell added.

Russell also criticized Verstappen's treatment of other drivers on track, bringing up incidents such as Verstappen's tactics against Lando Norris at this year's Mexican Grand Prix, for which the Dutch driver picked up two penalties, and while battling Lewis Hamilton in the past.

"Whenever anything is not going his way, he lashes out with unnecessary anger and borderline violence," Russell said. "That is not a guy who I respect and I wish he would be a better role model."

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